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Burning

Fall leaf bounty nostalgic, noxious for area residents

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

For some it is a sweet-smelling fall tradition, but for the 20 percent of the population suffering from asthma or allergies, that same odor creates severe breathing problems, sends hundreds of people to local emergency rooms, and can even be fatal, according to officials from the American Lung Association of Illinois.

Burning leaves is banned in Granite City, Madison, and Brooklyn, but allowed in Pontoon Beach and Venice.

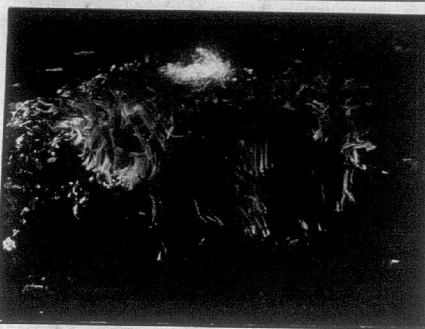
In Waterloo, Hecker and Columbia, leaf burning is permitted between sunrise and sunset. Monroe County has no ordinance restrict-

ing leaf burning. Valmeyer prohibits leaf burning.

"Do you think you or I or anybody else should have to bag all these (leaves) as fast as they come down?" asked a Metro East resident who participated in the impromptu community ritual. "Rake 'em up once, burn 'em down and you're done with it."

"Besides, it smells good." The smell, indeed, takes some people back to days when they leaped into mountains of crunchy red, gold and bronze leaves "just one more time" before the fatal match was dropped.

Just as many, however, dread the seasonal See BURNING, Page 5A



Autumn leaves, like these piled high in front of a residence on the south side of Waterloo, blazed pungently last weekend. Staff photo by JOE LEICHT

Car chase ends in Venice

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

A Brooklyn man was cited for numerous traffic charges, and could face felony drug and weapons charges, after a car chase through Venice and Brooklyn late Wednesday.

The suspect allegedly reached speeds of 80 miles per hour and was shot at by Venice police officer before being subdued.

Kevin A. Campbell, 17, of the 100 block of North Fifth Street, Brooklyn, was charged with having no valid drivers license, aggravated fleeing-attempting to elude police, disobeying a stop sign, driving in the wrong lane, and speeding.

Venice police were also seeking charges of unlawful use of a weapon and illegal possession of controlled substances.

Police records showed Campbell had an outstanding warrant for failure to appear on charges of driving with an expired license.

As of Friday, Campbell was in custody at the Venice Police Department.

According to police reports, at about 9:35 p.m. Wednesday, Madison police received a report of shots being fired from a vehicle near the intersection of Illinois 203 and Harrison Street.

A few minutes later, Venice police received reports of shots being fired from a similar vehicle near the intersection of Klein and Bissell.

Venice police spotted the car southbound in the 1300 block of Klein, and attempted to block it, but the driver went around them by driving on the sidewalk.

MADISON AND VENICE police - later joined by Brooklyn officers - chased the vehicle to the Thomas Terry Apartments Complex in Brooklyn, where two subjects - one identified as Campbell - got out of the car and ran.

A Venice police officer chased after Campbell, who was allegedly holding a semi-automatic pistol. The officer reported seeing Campbell stick the gun in his waistband.

The officer found the suspect hiding behind a trash can. When ordered to show the officer his hands, Campbell allegedly told the officer he would not come peacefully and that one of them would not be leaving alive.

The officer then reported that Campbell reached into his waistband and brought his hands up, appearing to be aiming at the officer, who fired one shot, which missed.

He was captured a short time later. Police did not report finding the handgun. See CHASE, Page 5A

Pontoon offices may have new home

By Scott Cousins
Staff writer

Pontoon Beach is apparently moving forward with plans to convert a former bar/restaurant into a new city hall and police station.

At Tuesday's Board meeting Mayor Glen Wilson sought approval for \$3,500 to hire an architect to develop a preliminary plan for the project.

Wilson said he has been negotiating the sale of the former Shooters 270 at 77 Chouteau Trace Parkway. The board voted 3-3, with Wilson

"I like the location, I like the size of it."

Glen Wilson
Pontoon Beach mayor

breaking the tie. Voting in favor were Trustees Lou Whitsell, Bob Abel and Bob Vincent.

At the time he said he would hold off on the architect because some board

members questioned whether the motion needed a simple majority to pass.

Wilson said the board had given him authority to negotiate with the owners several months ago and that is what he had been doing.

On Friday, Wilson said the attorney told him the vote was legal, so he was going ahead with the project.

"I've been working on it for quite a few months," Wilson said. "I like the

location, I like the size of it."

He said the present village hall at 3910 Illinois 111 is too small.

Wilson also said the police department needs more space - and cells to house prisoners.

Prisoners are presently housed in the Venice Police Department, but that department is considering charging more to keep outside prisoners.

The cost of the renovation is estimated at at least \$100,000.

The village had attempted to deal with the overcrowded village hall in See OFFICES, Page 4A

Parents MADD at drunk drivers

Bumper sticker announces anger over loved ones killed in crashes

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

A drunk driver killed my daughter. I am MADD.

This bumper sticker, placed amid a collage of photos of people killed by drunken drivers, has special meaning for Kathie and David Morton. In May 1995, the Millstadt couple lost both their 19-year-old daughter and 2-year-old granddaughter to a drunken driver.

The collage was set up Wednesday morning outside the Illinois Department of Transportation building in Collinsville. The Mortons were joined at the site by Brad Fralick, executive director of Mothers Against Drunk Driving - Illinois, and Collinsville City Manager Thomas Christie. It was the sixth of seven stops made around the state earlier this week to kick off MADD's "The One On For Safety" red ribbon campaign.

The campaign runs through

the holiday season, which Fralick said is the "deadliest six weeks" of the year. Between last Thanksgiving and New Year's Day 1997, 60 people died in alcohol-related crashes.

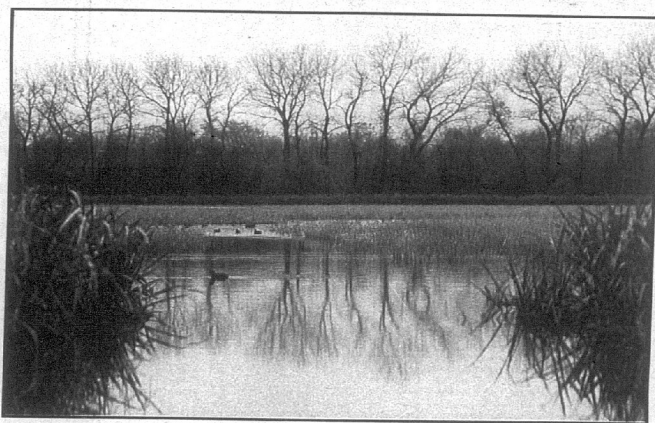
That was a record low, Fralick said.

Red ribbons, which can be tied to car antennae to show support for the campaign, became available at local Allstate Insurance offices Wednesday. Fralick and Christie tied one of the ribbons onto Christie's car.

Fralick said that a person is injured by a drunken driver every 30 seconds and killed by one every 31 minutes.

The Mortons represented MADD's St. Clair County chapter. They said working with the group has given them some sense of relief and satisfaction.

"Their deaths weren't in vain if we can even make a See MADD, Page 4A



Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Season's end

A duck swims by on the placid water of the southern end of Horseshoe Lake while a group in the background enjoy the tranquility brought by the end of hunting season.

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John Fuller, Meteorologist, KSDK NewsChannel 5

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By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Neal Burgard almost spent Thanksgiving a free man. Almost.

Burgard, 35, was minutes away from having \$1,000 bond posted against his newly reduced bail Wednesday when Granite City police filed another

felony charge against him. The additional theft over \$10,000 charge boosted Burgard's total bail up to \$85,000, raising his bond to \$8,500.

So Burgard, whom police allege swindled elderly residents in Madison and St. Clair counties out of nearly \$500,000 in the last five years, remained in the Madison County

Jail on Friday. Burgard, who had operated a legitimate insurance business, allegedly lost the victims' money, which was to have been invested for the clients, playing baccarat on riverboat casinos.

Collinsville Detective Tom Coppotelli was at the Madison County Courthouse Wednesday on an unrelated case when he

heard that Granite City authorities had charged Burgard.

"I knew his preliminary hearing (on the Collinsville charge) was that day, but I didn't think he'd even get a chance to get out," Coppotelli said.

Burgard was charged Oct. 15 See CHARGES, Page 5A

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Volunteer chairmen for the St. Louis Christmas Carols Association are, from left, Sandra Walter, president; Richard Oliver, chairman, Metro East; William H. Danforth, chairman of the board; and Hilde Few, co-chairman, Granite City. Groups that sing for the Association have fun, share the Christmas spirit and the collections they receive help needy youngsters through 73 regional agencies. The organization has raised more than \$2 million for children's charities. To take part in the caroling fun and help needy children have a few friends join you. Call 797-0527 for more information.

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This collage represents a small number of people killed in accidents by drunken drivers.

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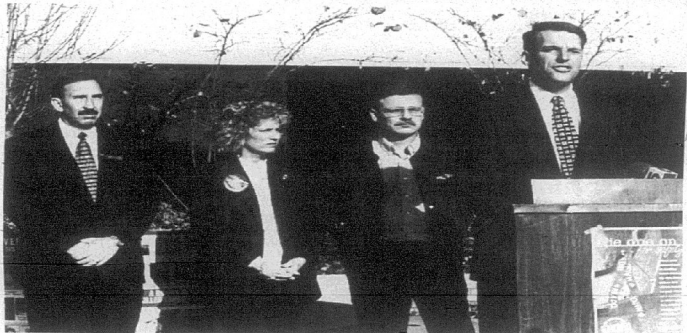
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small dent so that someone else doesn't have to suffer the loss and the pain that we have," Kathie Morton said.

Fralick said two things that can be done to help ensure motorists' safety are to wear seat belts and to make sure that youngsters are belted properly into either their seats or approved child seats.

The third thing is to not drink and drive. For those who are drinking, Fralick said to use a designated driver or take a cab. Those who are having parties, make sure that guests have a safe way home even if you have to drive them.

"It is not worth the risk of turning into another statistic," Fralick said.



Staff photos by NICOLE VAUGHN

Brad Fralick, right, executive director of Mothers Against Drunk Driving — Illinois, speaks about his group's "Tie One On For Safety" red ribbon campaign. Pictured from left are Collinsville City Manager Thomas Christie, and Kathie and David Morton of Millstadt. The Mortons lost a daughter and granddaughter to a drunken driver two years ago.

Let's Talk REAL ESTATE

by Jerry Besserman & Tina Stanley
REALTORS

LOCATION

As familiar as we all are with the most famous adage in the real estate business, it bears repeating that the three most important considerations when purchasing a home are location, location, location. The veracity of this old law is reflected in the fact that more than 90 percent of home buyers say that location was, indeed, their first consideration when purchasing their homes. Buyers should bear this in mind when conducting their house hunts. Those who stray from their preferred neighborhoods and towns may only invite disappointment and disillusionment if they were to find their "dream home" in a location that is not to their liking. Buyers are best off looking in a location(s) they like, rather than compromising their visions.

It is inevitable that location plays a key factor in determining the focus of a home search. Call Tina

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HINT: Location is of utmost importance when establishing the value of a property.



UE pays fine

Acid leak at Venice plant cited

The Union Electric company has agreed to pay a \$5,000 fine and spend almost \$25,000 in environmental projects after being cited for failing to immediately report a 73,000 pound sulfuric acid leak at its Venice power plant.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency recently signed an agreement with the company regarding the March 2, 1995 spill.

UE was cited for failure to immediately report to the National Response Center the release of 73,000 pounds of sulfuric acid. Federal laws require immediate notification upon any release of sulfuric acid exceeding 1,000 pounds. The incident occurred when a stop valve was left open and the liquid drained into a wastewater retention pond. Workers added 3,000 pounds of soda ash and additional water to neu-

tralize the acid.

Sulfuric acid is a noncombustible liquid, which generates heat when it reacts with water. It is corrosive to metals, and exposure may cause severe irritation to the respiratory system and burns the eyes, skin and digestive tract.

In addition to the fine, UE will spend at least \$24,033 on two environmental projects.

• The purchase of three self-contained breathing apparatus units for the Madison County Local Emergency Planning Committee, at a cost of \$7,500. The units will be used by local fire departments during hazardous materials incidents.

• The purchase and installation of new isolation valves on the plant's two acid storage tanks, at a cost of \$16,533.

Pets available as gifts

By PAUL MACKIE

Telegraph staff writer

Callie, the female beagle. Reanna, the 11-week-old terrier mix.

Little Bit, a long-haired brown tabby.

And 12-week-old Blue Calico Daisy.

These are just a few of the pets that can light up a loved one's face on Christmas morning. And while the rewards of a pet for a gift can be timeless, pets are also inexpensive.

Adopting a dog or puppy costs \$60, while a cat or kitten costs \$40. Those prices include vaccination, neutering, collar and identification tag.

The Madison County Humane Society, Edwardsville Shelter, 8495 Illinois 143, is encouraging people to visit in person to pick out a pet. The society also has a shelter in Collinsville.

"We think it's a good idea for people who are interested in adopting a pet to spend some time at one of our shelters getting to know the animals and making a wise decision about which one they like," said Jill Wagenblast, executive director of the Humane Society.

"If people give a pet for a

"(People) should be prepared to spend some time helping that animal adjust to its new home."

Jill Wagenblast
Executive director,
Humane Society

gift, they also should be prepared to spend some time helping that animal adjust to its new home."

Last year, 2,800 animals were adopted as pets from the two shelters, and December is always the busiest month.

Christmas gift bags are available throughout the holidays. They include a bottle of flea spray, a bandana and pet food.

Gift certificates also are available for pet adoption. "There's a one-page application for those interested," Wagenblast said. "That's just to make sure people are

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NEWS

Illinois Power gives hand up

Residents can receive up to \$600 in financial aid each year

By Nicole Vaughn
Staff writer

Madison County residents in need of financial assistance can get "a hand up" through a new program.

"A Hand Up," sponsored by Illinois Power, gives residents a chance to participate in a work-donation program. By volunteering their services, the residents can receive up to \$600 in financial aid per year. That aid can be used toward utility bills, housing expenses or other basic needs, said Sharon Durbin, work donation administrator for Illinois Power.

The initial way the program will work is with a resale shop, The Unique Boutique, which opens later this month in Collinsville. The store at Orchard's shopping center will begin taking donations Dec. 8. The shop is in need of toys, small appliances, furniture and clothing in good condition.

"They walk out with some experience to put on a resume."

Sharon Durbin
Illinois Power

Durbin said that 22 residents have signed up for the program so far.

"It's not going to end all of the problems, but it will address some of them," Durbin said.

Durbin said the program not only benefits its recipients by removing some of the stigma of charity but also provides them with valid work experience. Data entry, telephone etiquette, customer service, operating a cash register and inventory management are among the skills to be taught.

"All things they can take out and actually get a job with," Durbin said. "They walk out with some experience to put on a resume. They also walk out with some dignity and self-esteem."

Durbin said the program will have to hire a store manager and will eventually include two other full-time employees in addition to the volunteer workers.

Durbin said the arrival of the program is just in time to help with welfare reform. Linda Busch, assistant field manager for Madison County Project Chance, agreed.

"It helps address the needs of welfare to work challenges," Busch said. "It also provides an opportunity for participants to improve their work ethic and to develop an employment history if they have not worked very much in the past."

For more information about the program, call Durbin at (217) 362-6280.

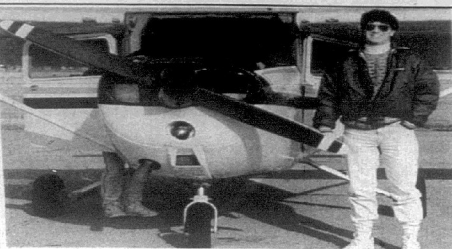


Photo courtesy Norma Abernethy

Grant Abernethy is now a flying instructor at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

Local man teaches students to soar

Grant Abernethy, a former Granite City resident, is now on staff at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale as a flight instructor. He also coaches the flight team.

Recently the SIUC flying Salukis hosted the regional flying competition. The top three finishers at regionals

qualify to compete in national competition next spring in Salina, Kan.

After completing four flying events and five ground events at SIUC, Salukis took first place while accumulating 246 points, out-distancing the other seven teams by a substantial margin.

NEWS BRIEFS

Pontoon Beach

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA: The Pontoon Beach Village Board approved giving \$2,000 for the annual Breakfast With Santa, set for 8-11 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, at the Pontoon Beach Senior Citizens Hall.

Last year the village gave \$1,500, of which about \$800 was returned after the event was over. Mayor Glen Wilson said this year they expected more children to attend.

Children can sign up for the event at the Village Hall, 3910 Illinois 111, through noon Tuesday. Reservations are required.

Granite City

ANNUAL TOY DRIVE: The Granite City Fire Department and the JC Penney Catalog Store in Granite City will once again team up to bring smiles to local needy children in their 5th annual Toy Drive.

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To kick off the event, fire fighters will be at the catalog store from 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5. Santa Claus will be transported to the store in a fire truck at 6. Kids can talk to Santa and visit with Sparky, the fire dog.

Pictures can be purchased for a minimum donation of \$2 with all the money being used to purchase toys for the drive.

All children may enter to win one of five Michael Jordan basketballs to be given away by JC Penney. Refreshments will be served. For more information, call 451-0545.

Madison County

PHONE BOOK RECYCLING: Telephone directories are accepted in all curbside recycling programs in Madison County. There also are six Recycle Stations.

The stations are located in the following areas: Collinsville: Woodland Park, Fitcher ball diamond, Edwardsville: Shop 'n Save parking lot, Troy Road

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Agency to educate public on lead paint

SPRINGFIELD — A federal grant will help the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency teach the owners of historic buildings how to deal safely with lead paint surfaces.

The \$40,000 grant from the National Park Service's National Center for Preservation Technology and Training will allow the preservation agency to develop training course curricula and workbooks.

"Having an old building does not mean that you have an unsafe lead paint situation," said Carol Dyson, an agency architect and coordinator of the training program.

However, when lead paint is in poor condition or being

disturbed through renovation, the building owner, contractor and architect need to be fully informed as to what treatments are advisable to keep occupants and workers safe," she said.

The agency will work with the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign to develop the workbooks. The course materials will undergo trial runs in two sets of training courses to be offered during 1988 in Springfield and Chicago. Using input from these test courses, the final course workbooks will be modified and made available to the public.

For more information, call (217) 782-4836.

From The Telegraph

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AREA NEWS

Doe run: Deer leads police on wild chase through downtown Edwardsville

By Becky Vollmer
Telegraph staff writer

A deer that dashed through city streets before becoming trapped in a downtown Edwardsville hardware store Tuesday morning was shot to death by police inside the store.

The full-grown doe caused quite a stir just after 11 a.m. as she led police on a chase, jumping over the top of a moving car before entering Krieger Hardware, 112 E. Vandalia St., catching customers and employees by surprise.

Nervous police officers — worried the doe might begin to thrash about — ushered everyone out of the store, and a standoff that lasted for nearly 25 minutes began.

Before a tranquilizer gun strong enough to subdue the doe could be brought to the scene, she became frightened and began to run around the store, jumping over shelves and knocking things over, police said. There was no choice but to shoot and kill her, one officer said.

"(The doe) started getting restless and moving and jumping around, so we had to go ahead and shoot it,"

said Detective Scott Evers of the Edwardsville Police Department.

"That's the first time I've ever run into anything like that inside a building," said police Sgt. Rich Dustman, who shot the doe with a 9mm carbine.

"I wasn't wild about it," he said. "I'd rather watch them than shoot them. It's not something I like to do."

Officer Brian Barker said he was waiting at the stoplight at the intersection of Vandalia and Buchanan streets when he saw the doe standing on the front steps of St. Boniface

Church. Barker said something spooked her, and the doe darted across North Buchanan, jumping over the roof of a moving car.

"She cleared the whole roof. I couldn't believe it," he said.

The doe, estimated to weigh about 170 pounds, then headed west, where she literally ran into the Ernst Amoco service station.

"She ran headfirst into a brick wall, and that knocked her down," Barker said.

After running back into Vandalia, the doe was struck a glancing blow by a car, which caused her to fall.

Barker said she got back up, obviously injured and frightened, and headed toward the hardware store.

Barker said the deer met the building headfirst, hitting the wooden door jam and falling to the ground.

A customer happened to be walking out of the store the moment the doe got up and it bolted in, Barker said. Police, who had been following her first in a squad car and then on foot, directed everyone out of the building, and the standoff ensued.

"They said to run for the back See DOE, Page 6A

Hoffman attacked on school funding

By Becky Vollmer
Telegraph staff writer

Steve Reeb, a Swansea Republican running for the Illinois Legislature, spoke out Monday as both a candidate and a taxpayer, attacking his opponent on the issue of school funding.

Reeb criticized state Rep. Jay Hoffman, D-Collinsville, for voting against a Republican measure that was rejected earlier this month by House lawmakers. Gov. Jim Edgar, who supports the plan, has called for a special session of the Legislature next week, during which the plan again will be considered.

Republicans say the school funding plan would provide more than \$600 million in new funding for schools — including \$2.3 for Edwardsville Community Unit School District 7 — and would raise the level of state funding to \$4,225 per student.

That would be funded in part by an increase on cigarette and riverboat gambling taxes — or "sin taxes" — and would be in place for three years.

Reeb reversed his previous stance on the issue, when he called for lawmakers to avoid raising taxes and instead tap the state's cash reserves.

"Our children deserve the very best education we can provide, without raising taxes," Reeb said in an October interview with The Telegraph. "That's true, but that's what they had to offer," Reeb said Monday. "This was the best comprehensive plan we had to offer," but the schools need help now.

Hoffman insists the plan offers no property tax relief and no true reform, and he has said he will not change his vote.

"I will not be bullied into voting for a bill that is a 'Band-Aid' solution to our education funding problem," he said. "We owe it to (the people) to provide a better solution."

Reeb said he has been asking people throughout the 112th Legislative District about school funding, and many have told him they are in favor of this.

•Pets—

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matched up with the right animals, in case they may not get along with that family's other pets or the children. Or in case a fenced-in area is needed."

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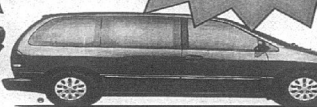
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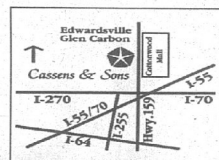
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NEWS

OBITUARIES

Mary V. Bathon

MARY V. BATHON, nee Carman, 63, of Pontoon Beach, formerly of Lebanon, died Wednesday, Nov. 26, 1997, at her home. She was born April 13, 1934 in Braggadocio, Mo., to Vera Vester Lemonds and Ed Daniel Carman, both of whom preceded her in death.



Mrs. Bathon was a homemaker and a member of St. Nicholas Catholic Church. She was preceded in death by her husband, Frank J. Bathon, who died on April 24, 1996; one sister, Buena Lowery; and three brothers, Buford Carman, Shackelford Carman, and Paul Carman.

Surviving are one son, Gary Bathon, of Lebanon; one daughter, Brenda Farmley of Pontoon Beach; three brothers, Warren Carman of Poplar Bluff, Mo., Malcolm Carman of Manchester, Mo., and Arnel Carman of Howe Springs, Mo.; sister, Mavis Sutton of Blytheville, Ark.; grandchildren, Brandon Howard of Pontoon Beach and Kari Bathon-Porter

of Lebanon. Funeral services will be held on Monday, Dec. 1 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Nicholas Catholic Church with the Rev. Hipas officiating. Visitation will be held from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, Nov. 30 at Werner Chapel in Pontoon Beach. Burial will be in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

William B. Earhart

WILLIAM B. EARHART, 46, of Granite City died Thursday, Nov. 27, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He was born Oct. 2, 1951, in Granite City and was a lifetime resident.

Mr. Earhart, a member of Briarcliff Pentecostal Church, worked for 10 years as an emergency medical technician.

Survivors include his wife, Donna (Hunter) Earhart; his mother, Lena Elliott Earhart of Granite City; his sister, Thomas William Earhart of Granite City; and two daughters, Alecia Bratten of Collinsville and Kristina McClanahan of St. Louis.

He was preceded in death by his father, Ernest Earhart.

Visitation will be from 4 to 8 p.m. today, Sunday, at Werner Chapel in Pontoon Beach where funeral ser-

vices will be conducted at 1 p.m. Monday with the Rev. Mike Davis officiating. Burial will be in St. John's Cemetery, Granite City. Memorials to the American Cancer Society are suggested.

Irene A. Krausz

IRENE A. KRAUSZ, 90, of New Baden died Wednesday, Nov. 26, 1997, at St. Joseph Hospital in New Baden. She was born on Oct. 24, 1907 in Engelman Township.

Mrs. Krausz was a homemaker and a member of Zion United Church of Christ and New Baden Senior Citizens. She was preceded in death by her husband, Harry Krausz, whom she married on Feb. 18, 1925 in New Baden and whom she passed away on April 11, 1983; one son, Clinton Krausz; six brothers, Herman Krausz, Otto, Oscar, Arthur and Earl Knobeloch; and her parents, Otto and Isabella (Eppenschied) Knobeloch.

Surviving are her daughters, Dorothy Schanz, Helen Mueller, Violet Schneider, all of Mascoutah; Blanche Rensing of Nashville, Tenn.; Schlechte of Staunton; Roselyn Altman of New Baden; sons, Richard

Krausz of Shelton, Wash., and Ralph Krausz of Granite City; sisters, Edna Armstrong of Gillespie and Alma Huelskoetter of Okawville; a daughter-in-law; and 24 grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren and great-great-grandchildren. Funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 29 at Zion United Church of Christ in New Baden with Rev. Gretchen Starnett officiating. Interment was in Greenmont Cemetery in New Baden.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Zion United Church of Christ.

Ann Taylor

ANN (BARBIE) TAYLOR, 89, of Talos Heights, died Tuesday, Nov. 25, 1997, at Holy Family Villa in Lamont. She was born July 1, 1908 in Granite City.

Mrs. Taylor was an employee in the General Steel Industries payroll department. She was a member of Holy Family Catholic Church and the Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Carmela Barbieri; her husband, George E. Taylor, who died on Dec. 7, 1984; one son, George J. Taylor; one

brother, Nick Barbieri; three sisters, Carmela Burnett, Rose Geisbert, and Hazel McDowell.

Surviving are one daughter, Sara Hyslop of Aurora; one brother, Joseph Barbieri of Granite City; sisters, Lucy Lucido of Lake Ozark, Mo., Gloria Knackstedt of Granite City, and Elvira Thurber of Toledo, Ohio; four grandchildren. Services were held at Holy Family Catholic Church on Saturday, Nov. 29 with Mass at 10 a.m. Father Thomas Wiese officiated. Interment was in Calvary Cemetery in Glen Carbon.

Katherine A. Wood

KATHERINE A. (HARSH) WOOD, Harsh, 51, died in Phoenix, Ariz., Sunday, Nov. 23, 1997, following a lengthy illness. A long time resident of Granite City, she graduated from Granite City Senior High School in 1964.

Surviving are her husband, Norman L. Wood of Mesa, Ariz.; her parents, Jean and James R. Harsh of Mesa and of Bemidji, Minn.; sisters, Laura Harsh and Leslie Gooch of Bemidji; a niece, Emilia Gooch; a nephew, Jesse Gooch. Contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

David Welborn

DAVID WELBORN, 47, of Granite City, died at home Nov. 29, 1997. The Granite City native was born Dec. 16, 1950. A Vietnam Era Army veteran, Welborn had been employed by AutoZone retail stores for 10 years.



Welborn is survived by his loving family, including: wife, Lisa; one son, Richard, who is attending Purdue University; two brothers, LeRoy and Donald; and two sisters, Jeanette DiVietro and Santina DiVietro, all of Granite City.

Welborn was preceded in death by his mother, Carrie (Peggy) Szerzinski.

A Memorial Mass was held Saturday, Nov. 29, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.

Memorial donations may be made to Hospice of Madison County or to the Madison County Humane Society, where Mr. Welborn was a volunteer.

Events

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Forest Park, 5600 Oakland Avenue. Tickets are \$9 and \$12; discounts available for groups of 10 or more, call Metro Tix at (314) 534-1111 or (800) 293-6949 or MTC at (314) 997-6777.

A SEASON FOR THE CHILD theater for younger audiences sponsored by the Friends of Theater and Dance and The BANK of Edwardsville, will present "Dahl Hummel" at 7 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, in the Communications Building Theater at Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

The Imaginary Theatre Company, the children's theater touring arm of the St. Louis Repertory Theatre, will present this holiday show based on Charles Dickens' characters from his story, "A Christmas Carol." Proceeds from the presentation will be used for FOTAD theater and dance scholarships. The organization is a support group for the SIUE department of theater and dance.

Tickets are \$5 and are available at the SIUE Fine Arts box office. For information, call 692-2774.

Craft fairs

ANNUAL SIUE HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR, 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3, and Thursday, Dec. 4, at Southern Illinois University in Edwardsville. The event is sponsored by the University Center Print and Design Shop and is free and open to the public. Items at the fair include original works produced by local and regional artists and craft persons. Selections for purchase will include many articles suitable for holiday gifts and home decorations such as wooden toys for children, holiday decorations, jewelry, paintings, wall hangings, wood carvings, articles of clothing, and gingerbread houses.

For information about obtaining booth space or about the fair itself, call Tom Ostresh in the UC Print and Design Shop, 692-2178.

Burning

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smoke-out because of respiratory ailments some medical experts think are aggravated by leaf smoke.

"I hate it, it gives me a headache," said a resident of Lakeview Estates. "I don't know if it irritates people who have allergies, but I think it probably does. And it's a problem for people who like to line-dry clothes, too."

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and area hospital visits — sponsored by the American Lung Association of Illinois — is now under way.

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Charges

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In Madison County with one count each over \$10,000, stemming from a Collinsville case in which an 80-year-old woman allegedly lost about \$60,000 in the investment scam between January 1995 and May of this year.

The victim in Wednesday's case is identified only as "John Doe" in the charges. Granite City authorities could not be reached for additional details in the case.

Offices

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In other business, four business licenses were approved. Licenses for Schwan's Sales Co., Casey's General Store and Bob's Auto sale were approved.

Two licenses, for a demolition and clean-up business and a wholesale storage and pallet rack business, were denied at the police department.

Chief Michael Crouch said the owners had falsified the business license applications. Another business license — for a home hair care salon — was referred to the Zoning Board.

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Chase

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While in the police car, an officer allegedly saw Campbell take a pack of cigarettes out of his pocket and try to hide them.

Later, officers found several pieces of suspected crack cocaine in the police car. Reports noted that the car had been checked prior to the incident.

How to submit news articles

Items for the family pages, which include clubs, churches, scouts, and social events, may be directed to the *Granite City Journal* at 1815 Delmar Ave., Granite City, Ill. 62040. There is no charge.

Pictures are welcome, but please DO NOT submit the only copy you have of a picture.

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The total amount of taxes collected and distributed for the tax year 1996 was \$164,948,876.

Doe

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door, so that's what we did," said 82-year-old Louise Kriege, mother of the store owner, who was inside doing bookkeeping when the doe barged in.

"They waited and waited and waited, and they finally had to shoot it," said Dave Kriege, the store's owner. "I've never seen anything like this. We didn't know what to do with it."

"It was one big mess, mostly. At least she didn't break

Briefs

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Godfrey Schnuck's parking lot, Godfrey Road.

Granite City Schnuck's parking lot, corner of Nameoki Road and Madison Avenue.

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GIRL SCOUT COOKIE SALE: River Bluffs Girl Scouts had another successful cookie sale this year.

The girls sold 48,187 cases of cookies, which is more than 578,360 boxes. That figure translates into more than 18 million cookies being sold to Metro East residents.

The top-selling girls were: Christina Gass of New Douglas, 800 boxes; Keala Jordan of Alton, 625; Robyn Chamberlin of Belleville, 604; Brianna Hughes of Alton, 535; Sydney Woods-DeLue of Belleville, 522; Kelley Ruhmann of New Athens, 508; Brittany Fikes of Granite City, 502; and Anna Lee of O'Fallon, 500.

The top cookie sellers each received a certificate, a \$25 gift certificate and her name placed on a plaque that is displayed at the River Bluffs Girl Scouts Service Center.

Residents who still would like to purchase Girl Scout cookies may call the River Bluffs Girl Scout Council office at 692-0892.

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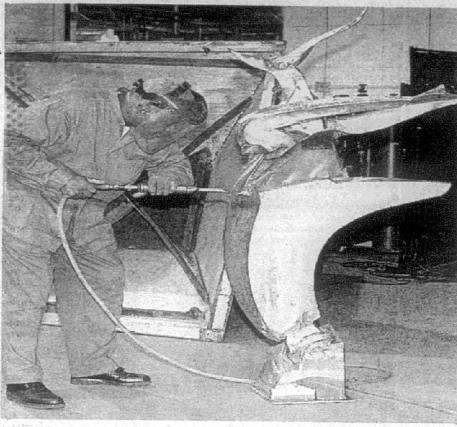
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Sculpture, industrial training center dedicated



Special to the Journal

Since Belleville Area College's Industrial Training Center opened in the fall of 1994, hundreds of students have gone through its doors to either hone their craft or learn a new trade.

Now at the entrance to the ITC sits a stainless steel sculpture that symbolizes the efforts and aspirations of the center's students, faculty and staff.

The sculpture, entitled "Wingways" and the ITC were dedicated during a recent ceremony at BAC's Granite City Campus, where the training center is located.

Among those attending the ceremony was internationally renowned sculptor Richard Hunt of Chicago, who designed the Wingways sculpture.

The work done at ITC is a blend of craft and inspiration. My work is a symbol of this, Hunt told the crowd of about 75 at the outdoor ceremony.

"Mr. Hunt turned fire, smoke and metal into something beautiful," GCC Provost Harold Johnson told the crowd. Hunt was commissioned in 1996 by the State of Illinois Capital Development Board to create a sculpture for the ITC. BAC Interim President Larry Schmalenberger said the Wingways sculpture is a "creative achievement" that represents the academic ideals stressed at the ITC.

"This Wingways sculpture looms large, not only in physical size but also in the hopes, dreams and aspirations it represents for every student who passes through the Industrial Training Center," Schmalenberger said.

Hunt designed and fabricated the sculpture while BAC welding students and faculty fabricated its base. College officials also used the sculpture dedication as an opportunity to officially dedi-

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BAC interim president

cate the ITC.

"The academic achievement reached at this Industrial Training Center over the past three years is most impressive. Since fall 1994, classes at the ITC have increased in size by 58 percent," Schmalenberger said.

"New programs have been initiated, including the Deck-hand program, OSHA Safety Certification and, most recently, Process Operations Technology, which was developed in cooperation with our math and science department," he said. "Also, plans are underway to establish an Industrial Machining Program."

training partnerships found between the college and area industry, he said.

"This progress has not gone unnoticed by our friends in the world of business and industry," he said. "American Steel, Malinkrodt, Clark Oil and National Steel are just four of the numerous companies that use the ITC for apprenticeship training and for ongoing employee training."

"More and more companies are realizing that they do not have to cross the river in order to receive top-notch, effective, efficient quality training," he said.

Photo courtesy of BAC

Sculptor Richard Hunt of Chicago puts the finishing touches on his Wingways sculpture before its recent dedication at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus.

MOVERS AND SHAKERS

KRISTIE BATSON, JUNE ONEY and BETTY STONE, Granite City Community Unit District #9 school nurses, attended the 40th Annual Conference of the Illinois Association of School Nurses in October. The Conference theme was "School Nursing — A Sound Investment in Illinois' Children." Stone is the Immediate Past President of the Illinois Association of School Nurses.

ANGELA LANGFORD has completed training as a Welcome Wagon Representative and will soon be greeting families moving into Granite City. The announcement was made today by Susan Gross, Welcome Wagon International Inc.'s national vice president of sales.

In another step in its growth strategy, Union Illinois Company, the bank holding company, has added ROSE M. SMOOT, a certified public accountant with 20 years of banking experience, as treasurer and senior vice president of the organization. Union Illinois Company is based in Swansea, owns and

operates Union Bank of Illinois, with facilities in Belleville, O'Fallon, East St. Louis and Swansea and is planning new facilities for Edwardsville and Columbia. The company also owns and operates The State Bank of Jerseyville.

Granite City DAVID FERNANDEZ has been named associate director of Metro FC, a professionally-run soccer club based in the Troy/Edwardsville area. A 1981 graduate of Granite City High School South and a member of the Soccer Hall of Fame in Granite City.

BILLIE JEAN (CABY) CHERRY, a 1942 graduate of Granite City High School, has been appointed president of First National Bank of Keystone in West Virginia. In addition to serving as the new president of one of the most successful banking operations in the country, she is also the current mayor of Keystone. Cherry was an employee of the bank from 1977 to 1986, and a member of the board of directors.

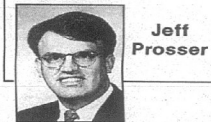
FINANCIAL FOCUS

When dealing with mutual funds, taxes will take on different twist

Your financial professional has probably talked to you about your "real rate of return." It's what you get to keep after paying taxes on your investment income.

Most people typically overlook taxes when comparing investment returns. They also don't think about capital gains taxes — the tax you owe if you make a profit on an investment. The best way to avoid capital gains tax is not to sell.

But with mutual funds, taxes take on a different twist. Mutual funds generally do not pay income taxes. Instead, profits and income generated within the fund are passed on to shareholders, who must pay taxes on them. Even if you select to have dividends and capital gains reinvested, you still owe taxes on them for the year in which they occur.



Jeff Prosser

You're paying taxes now on benefits you may not receive for years.

One way to reduce taxes on mutual fund capital gains is to buy funds with a relatively low portfolio turnover. Turnover refers to the selling of investments within a fund. Each time a mutual fund sells an investment and realizes a gain, a taxable event occurs. High turnover typically occurs more frequently in aggressive

growth funds than in more conservative funds that buy and hold securities for longer periods. You can find a fund's turnover rate in its prospectus.

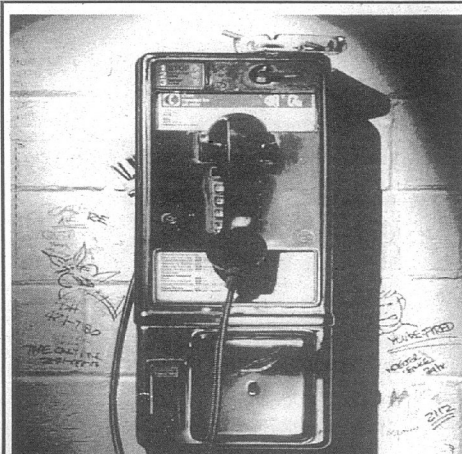
That takes care of taxes on capital gains within a mutual fund, but what about taxes on your mutual fund dividends? Another way some funds are attempting to increase net after-tax return to shareholders is through tax strategy funds. For example, one such fund invests 40 percent to 50 percent of its assets in tax-exempt bonds.

While investing part of a mutual fund portfolio in tax-free securities can increase returns to shareholders, it takes a knowledgeable investor to appreciate its value. In performance comparisons, tax strategy funds are often grouped with funds that allo-

cate 60 percent to stocks and 40 percent to taxable bonds. Because stocks and taxable bonds generally provide higher rates of return (before taxes) than tax-exempt bonds, the performance figures of tax strategy funds pale by comparison. But when taxes are figured in, the tax strategy funds move up considerably in performance rankings.

This is another example of the importance of clearly identifying your objective before investing. If taxes are of no consequence to you, go for total return. Look for funds that offer the highest income and gains within your risk requirements. However, if you'd like to minimize taxes, ask your financial professional about tax strategy funds.

Jeff Prosser is a consultant with Edward Jones.



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Tips to understand the market



Brian Mulhall

In the current generalized stock market decline, one thing above all is being put to the test — your emotion! It's a fact that the pain of decline is much greater than the pleasure of gain, even if the gain has exceeded the decline. While the stock market witnessed a nice recovery on in recent weeks, we can't predict the future and nobody knows where this market is headed in the short-term.

The more time you add to the stock market, the greater your chances become for a successful investment. In the short-term it can be a very brutal environment, but over the long-term it has proven to be the best place for your long-term savings.

This is an excellent time to review and to reinforce the strength of your belief system. 1. Historically, all market declines have been temporary. They certainly don't feel temporary when you're going through them, but there's a big difference between what's actually happening and the way people feel about what's happening.

2. The ability of markets to fluctuate down is what gives them the ability to fluctuate up — which they historically do most of the time. Fluctuation is, in that sense, the oxygen of investing.

3. Fluctuation isn't loss, unless the investor makes it so. Many investors tell me that

they've "lost" money, but in a real sense you historically don't experience permanent loss in a temporary decline unless and until you sell.

Market Corrections

If you invested your first dollar in the stock market after October 1990, you may respond differently to a market decline than an investor who started in the '70s. That's because the 1990s' bull market has continued to charge upward. From January 1, 1990, to December 31, 1996, the unmanaged Dow

Jones Industrial Average jumped from 2,810 to 6,448.

Responsible Investing Since the most recent bull run began in October 1990, investors have yet to experience a 20 percent correction. They have only experienced new market highs with mild dips. While this has benefited investors, it may also give inexperienced investors false expectations of future market performance.

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Realtors push 'Toys for Tots'

By Linda N. Weller
Telegraph staff writer

The universal belief that Christmas is for children spurs "Toys for Tots" drives that make the holidays sparkle for disadvantaged youngsters.

Among the more active groups are real estate agents affiliated with Coldwell Banker Realtor offices in Godfrey, Bethalto and Edwardsville.

Each year, the agents and staff members, customers, friends and big-hearted members of the public haul in piles of toys to the real estate offices.

In Edwardsville, all the toy donations stay local, said Nancy Sullivan, owner of Coldwell Banker Schlemer Realty, 405 E. Vandalia St.

"We collect them in our office, and right before Christmas, parents come in and shop. It's wonderful; they are so thrilled," Sullivan said. The parents all have children in the local Head Start program. The agency also donates some toys to the Glen-Ed Pantry.

"It's great. We get a lot of Boy Scout troops and Brownies that drop off toys. A lot of people walk in off the streets and donate toys," she said.

A special thrill, Sullivan said, is when she sees children carrying in toys themselves so they learn firsthand about the spirit of giving.

The toy collections have been an annual event for six or seven years, she said, and each year at least 500 toys are collected. Last year, 600 toys poured into the office, she said.

Schlemer agents will collect toys until Dec. 22, Sullivan said.

She said used toys should be in good condition.

"Sometimes we have to wash, fix them and paint them up a little," which Sullivan said is a fun activity for the Schlemer staff.

Schlemer agents also buy some toys for the project with money from Schlemer Auction Service's 50-50 raffles held during the year at auctions.

Toys also are collected in Edwardsville for disadvantaged children at Coldwell Banker Brown Realtors, 201 E. Vandalia St.

In the Godfrey and Bethalto offices of Coldwell Banker Ralph G. Paslay Realtors, the new toys go to the more expansive "Toys for Tots" drive held by the U.S. Marine Corps. The Marines distribute some of those toys locally and some at disaster sites in other areas.

In other offices, the "nearly new" toy collections help make Christmas merry at the Oasis Women's Center and at the Community Hope Center, said Marsha Paslay, manager of the real estate office.

She said agents contact past customers, friends, church members, banks, title companies and others, spreading the word through telephone calls, fliers and the company's newsletter.

Office provides info on education benefits

The Veteran Affairs Regional Office of St. Louis offers expanded service for those seeking information about education benefits.

An education case manager will be available at 1(888)GT-BILL-1, or 1(888)442-4551, from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Lights

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MetroLink park-ride lots, then for \$1 one-way for adults and 50 cents for children, take MetroLink to the Laclede's Landing station and conve-

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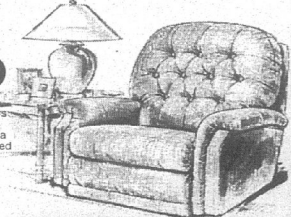
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Bellemore Village

Warriors clamp down on Redbirds

By R.J. Gerber
Staff writer

Accustomed to dictating the pace, the Alton Redbirds were bullied by the tyrant-like Granite City Warriors on Friday night.

AHS shot 33 percent from the field and Granite City maneuvered its way to a 57-44 triumph in the River Bend Tipoff Classic at West Middle School Gymnasium.

The Warriors, behind a game-best 21 points from 6-foot-5 senior Dustin Brewer, dealt Alton its first Classic loss in 12 outings. The two-time

BOYS BASKETBALL ALTON CLASSIC GRANITE CITY 57, ALTON 44

defending tourney champion Redbirds fell to 2-1, also Granite City's record. "They worked hard and covered the court in the zone," Alton coach Ron Smith said. "We didn't hit the shots and I give Granite City a great deal of credit for how hard they worked."

A 13-0 run that spanned the third and fourth quarters put Granite City ahead 50-38. Alton, which never got closer than eight points, went eight

possessions without scoring and missed on eight successive shots.

"We got good performances from everybody," Granite City coach John Van Buskirk said. "We were worried about their 3-point shooters."

The Redbirds made just 6 of 22 from beyond the arc, allowing the Warriors to take command. It was Alton's lowest scoring output since a 55-40 loss to Memphis (Tenn.) East last Dec. 12 at the KMOX/Coca-Cola Shootout.

Granite City sank five of six free throws in the final period to hold on. The Warriors weren't rattled by

Alton's pressure defense. Sophomore point guard Zack May scored 15 points and took relatively good care of the ball.

"We've got two sophomores handling the ball, so we should get better," Van Buskirk said. "But Alton didn't get up and running down the floor."

Alton was paced by Jake Harmon's 15 points, but the senior transfer from Edwardsville missed more than eight minutes when he was whistled for his third personal foul and drew a technical for his reaction just 50 seconds into the second half.

Alton's interior players were limited to few touches in the first half as Granite City took a 30-20 lead at the break. The Warriors increased the margin to 42-38 at the end of three quarters as Alton began its drought. The Redbirds missed 21 of 27 attempts from the field in the final 16 minutes.

Each team still had a shot at sharing the tourney championship. Alton met Springfield Lanphier at 12:30 p.m. Saturday before meeting Cahokia (3-0) in the final at 8:30 p.m. Granite City faced Madison (1-2) at 11:30 a.m. and Jersey (0-3) at 7 p.m.

ALL-JOURNAL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL — CLASS A

Art
Voellinger

Freshmen will bolster SIUC women's team

Want a sure bet? Here's one telling you the women's basketball team at SIUC-Carbondale will do better than last season's 14-14 overall record and 9-9 mark in the Missouri Valley Conference.

And, if you are deceived by the Salukis' season opening 83-69 loss to Northwestern in Evanston in the preseason National Invitation

Tournament, reconsider. In the second half of that game, in which SIUC outscored Northwestern 44-32, SIUC coach Cindy Scott's five freshman recruits dominated and finished the game with 27 points and 20 rebounds.

Said Scott: "We're very, very excited about the five freshmen we have in our program. If you read about them and all the things they've accomplished in high school, you'd think we'd be undefeated the next four years."

Led by 5-foot-9 Courtney Smith, who was chosen Illinois Ms. Basketball last season after averaging 23.6 points per game for two-time Class A state champion Carlyle, the freshman class also features 6-0 Maria Niebrugge of Teutopolis, who helped the Lady Shoes to a state title last year as a sophomore and averaged 19.2 points per game. Consider also 5-3 Kristine Abramowski of Freeborn, 5-8 Tiffany Taylor of Detroit and 5-11 Terica Hathaway of Providence, Ky.

While Abramowski blocked 281 shots in her career and averaged 14.5 points and 9.2 rebounds as a senior, Traylor averaged 10 points per game and became the first Salukis recruit from Michigan after leading her team to the past two state finals. Hathaway, meanwhile, was the USA Today's Player of the Year in Kentucky after averaging 36.5 points and 16.7 rebounds per game.

While 6-2 senior center Theia Hudson of Chicago Bloom paces the returning players with 15.3 points and 7.7 rebounds per game, 5-5 senior guard Beth Hashelder of Oakville is expected to step into a starting point guard spot for SIUC.

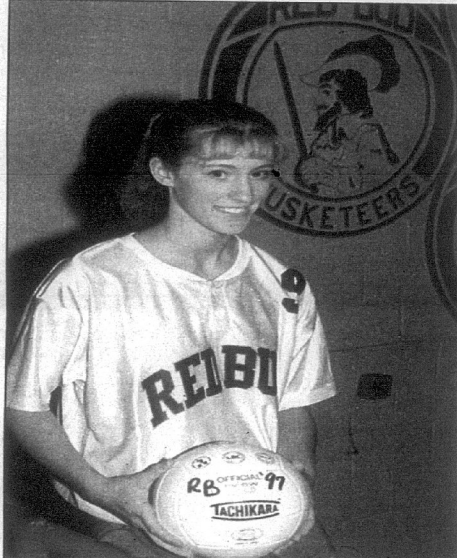
When Hudson was shunned as a preseason all-conference pick by media types, Scott used words like "comical" and "ridiculous" and appeared confident the Salukis can do better than a fourth-place forecast behind defending champion Drake, Southwest Missouri and Illinois State. A recent 68-65 upset of Memphis, in which Hudson had 16 points and Smith added 12 in 18 minutes, supports Scott.

Overtime

The recent prep volleyball season marked the restoration of a coach better known for his efforts in boys basketball.

After 34 years of coaching,

(See VOELLINGER, Page 2B)



(Photo by PAUL BAILLARGEON)
Red Bud senior Kim DeMAGE confounded opponents this past fall with her jump serve, thunderous spikes and digging ability.

The arsenal Musketeers senior displayed vast array of weapons

By Karen Vartanian
Staff writer

When Red Bud High volleyball standout Kim DeMAGE wasn't baffling opponents with her wicked jump serve this season, she was thwarting rallies by digging their spikes.

Or, the 5-foot-9 middle hitter may have been devastating the opposition with thunderous kills. Or, she was just displaying her sound senior leadership.

Whatever the role, DeMAGE, the Class A Volleyball Player of the Year for the Journal Newspapers of Southwestern Illinois, filled it to perfection.

"Kim had an outstanding season," Musketeers coach Sandy Griffin said. "Kim is versatile also. She's been a passer for me. She's been a middle hitter. She can see open spots. She's just an all-around, outstanding athlete. Her jumping ability and her quickness were big assets. Her slides — her one leg would take off and she was able to go above a lot of teams. Considering she's 5-9 ... we played with some teams with 6-3's, she was very effective against most of the opponents."

DeMAGE, along with fellow team leader Robyn Griffin, helped guide the Musketeers to a 31-7 campaign.

"I think we did very well," said DeMAGE, also a mainstay on Red Bud's basketball squad. "I was pleased with the way I played. But our team did good, and that's what I'm most pleased with. I try to just get everyone motivated to do their best. I try to lead them. I've always been the younger one, so I haven't really had to be a leader. But this year I had to."

Case in point came against Gibault in the regional finals.

All-Journal Girls Volleyball

Class A
PLAYER OF THE YEAR
Kim DeMAGE, Red Bud

FIRST TEAM

Robyn Griffin, Red Bud
Stacey Grohmann, Gibault
Jesse Waldron, Gibault
Amber Tinney, Freeburg
Beth Mendenford, Freeburg
Kim Pittman, Metro East Lutheran
Darcie Loudon, Westlin
Nicole Ehnensiehl, Lebanon
Player capsules, Page 2B

Trailing 5-2 in the opener, DeMAGE helped serve Red Bud to a 9-5 tie before consecutive blocks from Griffin gave the Musketeers a 7-6 advantage.

After later serving her club to a 13-9 bulge, DeMAGE's booming spike capped Red Bud's 15-11 verdict.

Thus inspired, the Musketeers whipped the Hawks 15-2 in the second game, clinching its second straight regional title.

"They looked up to us to get something going," DeMAGE said of her and Griffin's roles.

"And once we got going, then they did too."

Undoubtedly, DeMAGE has been an integral component in Red Bud's unprecedented success the past two seasons.

As a star in 1996, DeMAGE helped the Musketeers post a school-best 33 wins and advance to the sectional finals.

(See DeMAGE, Page 2B)

Firefighters edge police in annual showdown

By Daniel J. Ladd
Correspondent

To borrow a phrase, it was "boxing like it oughta be."

The 10th annual Metro Budweiser Boxing Showdown this past Wednesday night was a success on all counts. The drama went down to the wire, the crowd was large and responsive, the cause was good, and there was no biting.

The Showdown is a yearly event that has become one of the more popular sports-related fundraisers in the city. It pits a team of firefighters from the metro area against a team of police officers in a friendly — if slightly sweaty and pugnaeous — rivalry. The two squads duke it out for some trophies, the bragging rights, and for a cause near and dear to all their hearts — the Backstoppers.

The Backstoppers is an organization that offers financial and moral support to the families of police and fire fighters that fall in line of duty.

This year's Showdown, played out before a record crowd of 10,727 at Kiel Center, brought the total funds raised for the group over the last 10 years to approximately \$400,000.

There were 21 bouts in all, and in the end, the firefighters won a narrow 11-10 victory, pulling off the upset of the police team in the final bout, a rough and tumble 5-0 victory by St. Louis City fire fighter Michael Gilbert against St. Louis County police officer Mike Brown.



For a while, it actually looked like it was going to be a rout, as the firefighters built up a quick 3-2 lead before dropping eight of the next nine bouts.

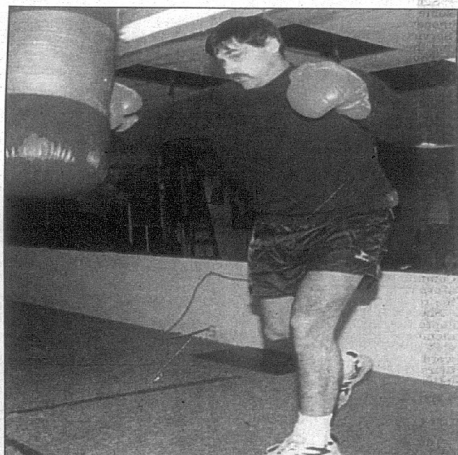
Last year, the police team won a hard-fought 11-9 victory. More than a few local celebrities were on hand for the Showdown, including Stan Musial, Ray Lankford, Jack Buck and Jackie Smith, among others.

Buck, the beloved broadcaster for the St. Louis Cardinals, has been ringside at all 10 of the Showdowns, and his brief turn at the announcer's mike brought the crowd to its feet.

St. Louis Metro Budweiser Boxing Showdown

1. Vernon Zelch, Sullivan PD, dec. Bob Stevens, Mitchell, Ill. PD, 5-0.
2. Troy Schneider, Richmond Heights PD, dec. Tim Silver, St. Louis Co. PD, 4-1.
3. Laurie Juengel, University City PD, dec. Laura Lamczyk, St. Louis PD, 5-0.

4. Derrick Brown, St. Louis PD, dec. Shawn McGough, Ferguson PD, 3-2.
5. Dan Picarella, Glen Carbon Ill. PD, dec. William Vize, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
6. James Tashner, Hazelwood PD, dec. Eddie Futch, Mitchell Ill. PD, 5-0.
7. Mary Jane McDermott, Community Fire Protection District, dec. Nancy Gadenhead, St. Louis Co. PD, 5-0.
8. Larry LeMaster, Granite City, Ill. PD, dec. Marion Monteleone, St. Louis Co. PD, 5-0.
9. Chris Zang, Metro West Fire Protection Dist., TKO 1-33, Round 2, Al Adams, Alton, Ill. PD.
10. Dedrick Harris, St. Louis PD, dec. Mark Biondolillo, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
11. Cesar Rivera, Lincoln Co. Sheriff's Dept., dec. Rich Granda, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
12. Joe Potter, O'Fallon Mo., PD, TKO 1-20 Round 2, Dec. Kruss, Metro West Fire Protection Dist.
13. Scott Ford, Beverly Hills PD, dec. Gregory Dickson, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
14. Steve Evancoff, University City PD, dec. Richard Giles, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
15. James Goeken, Madison Co. Sheriff's Dept., dec. Clyde Zelch, Gerad-Rosebud PD, 4-1.
16. Mike McCann, St. Louis Co. PD, dec. James Brooks, Edwardsville Ill. PD, 5-0.
17. Larry Irving, St. Louis PD, dec. Don Winkler, St. Louis PD, 3-2.
18. Ryan Cousins, St. Louis PD, TKO 1-20 Round 1, Tom Mantia, Affton PD.
19. James Scott, St. Louis PD, dec. Jim Eaton, St. Louis PD, 5-0.
20. Wayne Brooks, St. Louis PD, TKO 1-20 Round 1, Bryan DeNoyer, St. Louis PD.
21. Michael Gilbert, St. Louis PD, dec. Mike Brown, St. Louis Co. PD, 5-0.



Staff photo by JOHN FRESER
Larry LeMaster, of the Granite City Fire Department, works the bag in preparation for the Metro Budweiser Boxing Showdown. He defeated Marion Monteleone, from the St. Louis County Police Department, 5-0 on Wednesday night at the Kiel Center in downtown St. Louis.

ALL-JOURNAL GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM — CLASS A

Metro East Lutheran's Pitman lands on first team

The All-Journal girls volleyball first team for Class A (compiled by Karen Vartanian, Scott Marion and Brian Bretsch) includes:

Robyn Griffin, Red Bud
A senior setter/outside hitter, Griffin was second on her team with 407 kills, behind only Journal Class A Player of the Year Kim DeMage.

Griffin's steady play helped buoy Red Bud to its second straight 30-win campaign. "I would say her quickness and jumping ability meant a lot to the team," said Musketeers coach Sandy Griffin, whose club lost to Breese Central in the sectional finals. "She was able to pass, and she was a good setter and she could hit. She was a well-rounded player."

Stacey Grohmann, Gibault
A senior setter/hitter, Grohmann was a critical cog in Gibault's successful 27-6 campaign.

"She's shown a great deal of leadership," Hawks coach Laurie Klotz said. "She improved greatly on her setting. She's got the best set of hands in the area. Her overall play was terrific. She was a great leader on and off the court."

Jessi Waldron, Gibault
Waldron, a senior middle hitter, teamed with Grohmann to guide Gibault to 101 wins the past four seasons.

"She was a good leader," Klotz said. "She dominated the net. She is a smart defensive player. She brought a lot — good teamwork and good work ethic."

Amber Tinney and Beth Middendorf, Freeburg

"It's hard to say something about one without saying the same thing about the other," Middendorf coach Karen Schenewerk said of Tinney, a 5-7 senior setter/hitter, and Middendorf, a 6-0 junior setter/hitter. "They take control on the court and they were the two best setters I've seen in this area in a long time. They were also the two best hitters on the team, which I don't find with a lot of setters."

"They're both very aggressive and they were definitely leaders for us. I'm really going to miss Amber, but thank God Beth is a junior."

"Even at camp last summer, with a new coach and a new system, they adapted and believed and had a good attitude, and the other players saw that. We had a winning season (23-10) because of those girls."

Kim Pitman, Metro East Lutheran
A senior middle hitter, she led the Lady Knights with 145 kills on 354 attacks. Her serving accuracy was 92 percent

"Her experience definitely shined through because she plays all year long. Her experience is pretty much what led the team. She definitely had a lot of net savvy. She can read where the ball is going and can work around a block."

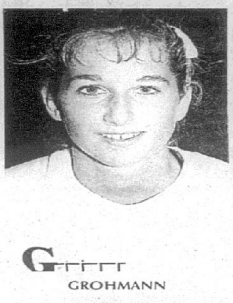
— Vicki Gillespie
On Metro East Lutheran's Kim Pitman

She's got the best set of hands in the area. Her overall play was terrific. She was a great leader on and off the court."

— Laurie Klotz
On Gibault's Stacey Grohmann



WALDRON



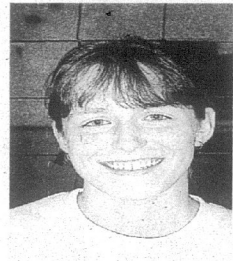
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LOUDEN

and 11 percent of those serves were aces. She also had 31 blocks on the year. Pitman is leaning toward continuing her schooling and volleyball career at Belleville Area College.

"She definitely had that volleyball player attitude and led by example there," Metro East coach Vicki Gillespie said. "I had co-MVPs — Kim Pitman and Katie Rathert. Mainly because Katie had a humongous number of assists. Without a good setter, you're hitters are pretty much going to be ineffective. Kim was our top spiker and our top blocker as well as being very strong in the back row defensively."

"Her experience definitely shined through because she plays all year long. Her experience is pretty much what led the team. She definitely had a lot of net savvy. She can read where the ball is going and can work around a block. Opponents triple-blocked her at times and she was still able to work around that. She is a finesse hitter. She has power but she tends to look for the hole and put it there whenever

possible and work around the blocks."

Darci Loudon, Wesclin Loudon — who is also a standout softball pitcher and the top returning scorer for the basketball team — proved she can be equally effective in volleyball.

"She was our strongest hitter and our most consistent

hitter," Wesclin coach Dawn Musenbrock said of Loudon, a 5-9 junior. "She improved all the way around, especially on serving and defense. But her greatest athletic asset is her front-line hitting."

"She's a natural athlete. She can play outside hitter, but she's strongest in the middle. Volleyball is the sport she

plays the least. She plays softball all summer."

Nicole Bohnenstiehl, Lebanon A senior, Bohnenstiehl is best known for her softball skills. A two-time all-state pitcher, she helped the Greyhounds place second in the Class A state tournament in 1997 after striking out 30 batters in a 1-0, 19-inning quarter-

final loss in 1996. She is also the leading scorer for the basketball team.

In volleyball, she has steadily improved and used her natural athletic ability to become one of the area's top hitters. Like Loudon, she concentrates on softball in the offseason, but developed into a leader for the Greyhounds on the volleyball court as well.

•DeMage

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This season, Red Bud again eclipsed the 30-win plateau and went to the sectional championship.

The Musketeers are an astounding 64-12 the past two seasons, which includes a 6-2 postseason mark, an 18-2 Cahokia Conference ledger and two regional titles.

"It means a lot to leave my mark here," DeMage said. "It means a lot because volleyball's my favorite sport. And that's what I want to go to college to do."

DeMage paced the Muske-

teers in virtually every category this fall, including points (333), points average (4.16), kills (88) and digs (124), among others.

"For one thing, she had a jump serve that she was close to 91 percent on effectiveness," Griffin said.

DeMage's serving and Griffin's presence on the front row was formidable for Red Bud's foes.

DeMage's all-around ability makes her an attractive commodity for college recruiters.

Already, DeMage has looked at Central Missouri State, where former Musketeers teammate Rhea Griffin is

All-Journal Volleyball — Class A SECOND TEAM

Elyse Mohme, Gibault
Jodi Hentscher, Gibault
Jill Buckmann, Freeburg
Erin Fahey, Red Bud
Rachel Hanebut, Red Bud
Angie Harget, Valmeyer
Robyn Hoffmann, Valmeyer
Abby White, Columbia
Sarah Jones, Dupu
Erica Ragsdale, Dupu
Katie Rathert, Metro East Lutheran

playing volleyball; Southeast Missouri State; and the University of Missouri-St. Louis on unofficial visits.

DeMage also attended a volleyball camp at the University of Louisville.

"I can't wait to start playing again," DeMage said.

Griffin said DeMage will likely shift from her middle hitter post in college.

"They're not going to probably play her as a middle with her size at the collegiate level," Griffin said. "So she's going to be running outside in college, probably adjusting to a higher set and not such a quick attack as an outside hitter. And probably she'll be used as a passer. And I think her passing skills are good."

SPORTS SHORTS

MVCHA offers scholarships

The Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association has announced that two \$500 scholarships will be awarded this year following the 1997-98 hockey season.

All high school seniors who play for their high school hockey team in the MVCHA this season will be eligible to compete for the scholarships. Selections will be approved for distribution by the MVCHA Board of Directors. Scholarships will be distributed directly to the college, trade school, vocational school or community college of the student's choice.

Contact team coaches for an application for the scholarship program. Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 1998. For more information, call Bob Mooshegan at 466-4533 or Dr. Gary Clark at 465-1380.

BAC baseball camp

FAC Sports Camps and Belleville Area College baseball coach Neil Fiala will hold two hitting camps and one pitching camp at BAC. The hitting camps are \$65 per session and will be 9-11:30 a.m. Dec. 29-31 and 5:30-8 p.m. Jan. 5-7. The pitching camp is \$45 and will be 12:30-2 p.m. Dec. 29-31.

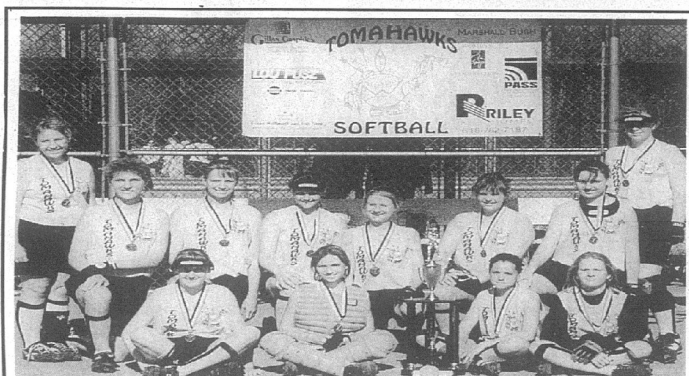
For a registration sheet, call 235-2700, extension 371 during the day or (314) 487-2768 at night.

Shootout tickets

Ticket for the 17th annual Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout, the premier high school basketball event of its kind in the nation, are on sale at numerous St. Louis area locations.

All Shootout tickets are reserved and cover the entire day's activities. Spectators may receive their tickets by keeping their ticket stub and get their hand stamped in the Kiel Center lobby.

Ticket prices are \$18 and \$15. Tickets are available at local participating schools; all Capital Tickets outlets, including Famous-Barr and the Kiel Center Box Office; and Curt Smith



A nice season

The Tomahawks 14-and-under fast-pitch softball team completed the 1997 season with four tournament championships and a list of accomplishments. The team was second in another tournament as well as second in a 14-and-under winter league, second in a Collinsville 16-and-under summer league and 66th of 160 teams at the season-ending tournament in Chattanooga, Tenn. The team's record was 56-19. Members of the team (from left to right): In front — Becky Stone, Lauren Roney, Anna Godard, Katy Hacker; In back — Mandy Schaefer, Randi Beare, Amy Harre, Katie Louis, Ashlee Heady, Anne Schomber, Kelly Creek and Carly Riley.

Sporting Goods in Belleville. Schools are permitted to keep \$1 of each ticket sold in advance through the school. Metro East teams playing in the event are the Belleville East girls, the Edwardsville boys and the Waterloo Gibault boys.

Tickets may also be charged by phone. Call Dialfax at 314-959-1800.

Basketball tournament

The second annual Metro Collegian boys basketball tournament will be Dec. 20-21 and 27-28 in St. Louis. The tourney is open to boys teams in grades 5-8 with a three-game guarantee. For more information or an entry form, call Joe at (314) 649-0028 or (314) 649-0498.

•Voellinger

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Dick Ruggles will retire at Nashville where he has coached since 1965.

During the 1963-64 season, Ruggles coached the boys basketball team of Cobden High (enrollment 147) to the title game of the IHSAA state tournament before losing 50-45 to Pekin (enrollment 2,276).

In addition to being associated with Cobden's nickname of "Appleknockers," Ruggles is the only man ever to coach a team in the state boys basketball tourney and later referee at the state finals as well — the 1981 and '83 Class A affairs. Prior to taking the Cobden post, Ruggles coached at Hurst-Bush High, which ended its 1962-63 season with a 35-point loss to the Appleknockers.

Double overtime

No wonder Chester had a successful football season. The Yellowjackets reached the state quarterfinals of Class 3A with an offensive line bulked by Lance Geiselmann (6-2, 290 pounds), and James Maes (6-7, 290) and Kyle Nitzsche (6-0, 250)....

Although Mooseheart High of Northern Illinois lost 40-0 to North Boone in their first round of the Class 1A playoffs, the losing school earned a distinction as having the smallest enrollment (92 coed) of any team in the postseason.

Footnote

The success of Nashville High School football came as no surprise to current McKendree College assistant football coach Dean Renn.

"He learned well," Renn said of Nashville coach Bruce Reeder, who Renn coached at Belleville East.

Reeder remains a disciple of Renn's double wing offense and has said of his current team: "It's a unique way he bunched everybody in there." The double wing helped the Hornets to a 39 points per game scoring average entering the postseason — the highest of any Class 3A team. That figure made Harrisburg's 45-0 quarterfinal win against Nashville (10-2) more impressive. The Hornets gained just 85 yards in 27 attempts.

Warriors continue win streak to open season

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff Writer

For those who expected the Granite City Warriors hockey team to struggle this season in the Mid-States Club Hockey Association, after losing key players to the new Illinois Warriors of the Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association, it has been a surprising start to the 1997-98 campaign.

The Warriors moved to 3-0-0 on the season as they streaked to a 5-0 lead Monday night and held off McCluer 6-2.

Todd McQueen started the scoring by stealing the puck at center ice and skating in alone on net to beat the hapless Comets goalie. The goal, at the 9:04 mark of the first period, gave Granite City a 1-0 lead.

"We weren't sure Todd was going to play in the game," said Warriors

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coach Dave Yurkovich. "He's had a bad shoulder for a week now — badly bruised — but the doctor gave him the OK to play. It still bothered him. But I think it felt a lot better after that first goal."

McQueen, sore shoulder and all, was far from finished.

At the 5:30 mark of the first period, McQueen and Ty Suhre charged the net on a two-on-one break. McQueen sent a pass to the front of the net where Suhre one-timed it home for a 2-0 lead.

The lead held up through the first period.

"We only allowed one shot on goal in that period," said Yurkovich. "We

have a very inexperienced group of defensemen. Other than Bobby Scott, who is the anchor of our defense, there's a lot of inexperience — But they all stepped up big tonight."

Along with Scott and Brantley, Mike Angle, Garth Wittman, Clayton Warren and Scott Savich make up the Warriors defense.

At 12:01 of the second period, McQueen struck again. Bobby Pritchard, who was stationed behind the goal, passed the puck to a wide-open McQueen, who put it in the top shelf for a 3-0 Granite City advantage.

Pritchard picked up the Warriors' fourth goal on a power play at 9:26 of the second period. Bobby Harris found Suhre, who fed Pritchard, who came in from the back door and snuck the puck into a wide-open net.

Pritchard scored a second power

play goal less than four minutes later off an assist from Harris. The score put Granite City firmly in command 5-0.

McCluer scored on a power play at the 4:06 mark to close out second period scoring.

Yurkovich played his freshman line in the third period.

"We got kind of sloppy in the last period," he said. "We had some very inexperienced kids out there and (McCluer) still had a couple of key players on the ice — and essentially kept them on the ice the rest of the game. But, that's the only way our freshmen can get the game experience they need. They need that kind of experience at that kind of pace to get used to it."

The Comets scored at the 10:13 mark of the final period to draw within 5-2, but a Harris goal at 8:27,

assisted by Suhre and Pritchard, increased the gap to 6-2 and denied any possibility of a comeback.

McCluer scored two late goals to cut the final margin to 6-4.

"This was an important game for us. It was good to get a quick and sizable lead, which enabled us to play some younger kids to get them the experience they need. That experience will pay off for them, and for us, later in the year. Right now, we must keep learning, keep working hard, and take the season one game at a time. Our goal is to be ready when the playoffs roll around."

The Warriors already have a leg up in the race to the playoffs, standing 3-0-0 in the Suburban North Division of the North Conference in the MSCHA.

SIUE's Little, Huneke earn conference honors

Special to the Journal

Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville midfielder Matt Little and head coach Ed Huneke walked away with top honors in the Great Lakes Valley Conference men's soccer season-ending awards.

Little, a junior from Granite City High School, led the Cougars in goals (13) and assists (11) as SIUE finished first in the conference regular season with a mark of 16-2-1 and reached the 16-team NCAA Division II Men's Soccer Championship.

COLLEGE SOCCER

Huneke earned his first GLVC Coach of the Year honors.

Other than Little, SIUE also garnered three other positions on the first team All-GLVC. They are senior forward Darren Snyder of Wichita, Kan.; junior sweeper Kividi Kikima of Kinshasa, Congo; and sophomore goal keeper Andy Korbesmeyer of Florissant, Mo.

Jerry Reed of Springfield and Rob Thornberry of Riverton — both seniors — were second-team selections.

Top girls teams will be showcased in showdown event at UM-St. Louis

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff Writer

The Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout, scheduled for Dec. 11 at Keil Center in St. Louis, is not the only hoop show in town the first full week of December.

Ten of the top girls teams from Illinois will square off in the Keep Hoops Alive Classic on Sunday, Dec. 7, at the Mark Twain Center on the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus.

Heading the list of entries is nationally ranked Gateway Association Class 4A championship in 1996-97.

Coach Sherman Curtis has the players to cop the crown again in 1997-98. Leading the charge will be 5-foot-10 senior Christian Shelton, perhaps the most versatile player in the Shootout; 6-2 junior Tiana Ford, an exceptional defender, shot blocker and rebounder; and Tara "Peaches" Harris, a deadly 3-point shooter, who is coming off an all-state campaign.

Gateway Tech's opponent in

GIRLS BASKETBALL

the shootout finale (6 p.m.) will be Missouri Class 3A power Incarnate Word.

The Red Knights were state champions in 1995-96, and finished third in the state last season. Coach Jim Johnson's contingent this winter is tall and talented, featuring 6-1 Jolie McKiernan, an all-district and all-conference selection last year; Elise Leichter, a versatile three-sport athlete who led last year's squad in steals and assists; and returning point guard Kellie Krimmel.

The day tips off at 12 noon with a game between John Burroughs and Webster Groves.

John Burroughs, of the Metro Women's Athletic Association, is led by the 6-0 tandem of Krista Small and E.E. Little. Small, an all-stater last year, is just 12 points shy of capturing Burroughs' all-time 3-point scoring record. Little is a junior shooting 54 percent from the field.

Webster Groves is coming off a 16-10 campaign, but returns nine letterwinners for

this season. Coach Karen Hermann's Stateswomen will be led by senior veterans Ali Fust and Katrina Nichols.

They will be without all-district senior Amy Hauschild, who is recovering from ACL surgery.

Francis Howell and Troy meet in the 1:30 p.m. game.

Troy sports an experienced line-up of five seniors and six juniors. The team leader is highly touted Nicole Lindsay, an all-conference player. Shelley Turpin, Carolyn Reinker, Kelly Jackson and Brook Nett round out the starting five for coach Renee Rogliardi.

Francis Howell, with first-year mentor Dawn Schuster at the helm, brings back four of the helm, and junior all-conference starter Nicole Flowers. 5-11 forward, and Charonda Woods, a 5-11 junior, are the team leaders.

The 3 p.m. game pits defending IHSA Class A state champion Carlyle (35-0 in 1996-97) against Western Illinois Valley Conference champ Carrollton.

Carlyle is fueled by Kristin Hustedde, who captured all-district, all-conference and all-state honors as a junior, and last year's freshman phenom Jessica Roberts.

The Lady Hawks depend on Lis DeShasier, a 5-10 junior all-stater, and junior all-conference selection Nicole Flowers. Carrollton is coming off a 22-5 campaign.

Carlyle (Ill.) and Parkway South do battle at 4:30 p.m. Parkway South coach Chris Ellis has lost a pair of all-state players to graduation, but will be tough with Jenny Graves returning to run the point. Graves, an all-conference selection last year, led the team in assists and steals, and

Ten of the top girls teams from Illinois and Missouri will square off in the Keep Hoops Alive Classic Dec. 7 on the University of Missouri-St. Louis campus.

anchors what should be a typically strong Parkway press.

The Carthage Blue Girls have made the Illinois state tournament four of the last seven seasons, capturing the top prize in both 1992 and 1993. They were also Illinois Class A runners-up in 1996.

Tickets, which may be ordered through participating schools or by calling Keep Hoops Alive at 314-727-3589, are \$5 for adults and \$3 for high school students or younger.

VOLLEYBALL RESULTS

Granite City Park District (Nov. 18)	
Spikers.....	11-1
Four Chance.....	9-4
Medicine Shoppe.....	7-5
Ernie & Annie's.....	6-6
Power House.....	3-9
Hometown Sports.....	1-11
Spikers defeated Hometown Sports 15-5, 15-2.	
Four Chance defeated Ernie & Annie's 15-10, 15-5, 15-4.	
Medicine Shoppe defeated Power House 15-3, 15-12, 15-9.	
Power House defeated Hometown Sports 15-5, 15-9, 15-3.	
Four Chance defeated Medicine Shoppe 15-2, 15-5, 15-6.	
Ernie & Annie's defeated Hometown Sports 15-11, 15-10, 15-8.	
Spikers defeated Four Chance 15-6, 15-12, 15-14.	

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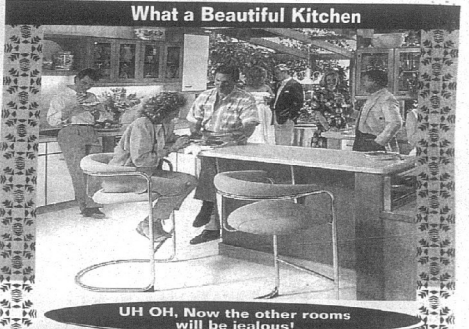
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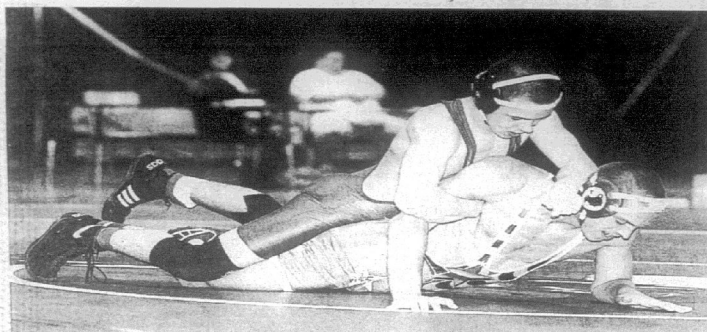
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Granite City wrestler Ike Newman (bottom, battling teammate John Kelley in an intrasquad match) won by fall and by forfeit last week in Granite City's two wins.

Granite City rolls past Carbondale, Centralia

By Patrick C. Heston
Staff writer

And the streaks go on. Granite City High School moved two steps closer to a pair of impressive wrestling records Wednesday evening at Carbondale.

The Warriors routed Carbondale 76-3 and Centralia 78-0 to capture their 95th straight regular season dual meet, and inched within 21 wins of career victory No. 1,000.

Sophomore Richie Carney lost an 8-1 decision to Carbondale's Burke Bohnsack in the 105-pound weight class to open competition. But the meet was all Warriors from there.

Four GCHS matmen pinned opponents in less than 50 seconds.

Bobby Grammer (215 pounds) won by fall over Joe Woods in 49 seconds; Brooks Narvaez (145) finished off Joey Skrukz in 44 seconds; Ryan Worthen (140) pinned Brian Thompson in 43 seconds; and Jonas Janek (160) won over Chris Tanner in only 42 seconds.

Other wrestlers to win by fall included Chad Wilson (112) against Dexter Johnson in 1:51; Ben Lofink (125) against Matt Henry in 1:07; Matt Werner (135) against Nick Reinhardt in 3:01; Ike Newman (132) against Jon Blayler in 2:30; and George Kirgan (171) against Jerry Parker in 1:15. Dennis Davis (130) scored an impressive 13-1 win against Flynn Shaffner after leading 6-0 through two periods.

Adame Dunnivant (119), Kevin Venne (189) and David Crouch (275) all won by forfeit.

Warriors blank Centralia

Against Centralia, the Warriors won by forfeit in the first three matches, as Rich Carney (103), Chad Wilson (112) and Adame Dunnivant (119) each picked up an easy six points.

At 125 pounds, Benny Lofink outscored Mike Stocklin 8-3 in the second period on his way to a high-scoring 19-11 victory, which gave the Warriors a 22-0 lead.

Dennis Davis (130) easily defeated Dave Venable, win-

PREP WRESTLING

GRANITE 76, CARBONDALE 3
GRANITE 78, CENTRALIA 0

ning by fall in only 53 seconds. Matt Werner won his 135-pound bout, scoring an impressive technical fall win (16-1) against Derek Higgins.

Ryan Worthen led Aaron Evans 4 before pinning the Orphans grappler at 3:37 of the second period.

Also winning by fall were Narvaez (145) over Josh Knolhoff in 1:51; Jonas (160) over Nate McKinney in 1:07; and Kevin Venne over Aaron Gates in a quick 31 seconds.

Ike Newman (152), Bobby Grammer (215) and David Crouch (275) all won by forfeit, while George Kirgan fought back from a 3-2 first period

deficit to take an 8-5 decision in a match that had no scoring in the third period.

The Warriors, who stand 3-0-0 on the season, have outscored their opponents 221-9.

Granite City faces a pair of tough on-the-road tests this week. On Tuesday, the Warriors open Southwestern Conference action in Edwardsville. And on Saturday, GCHS participates in the prestigious Morton Tournament.

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BASKETBALL RESULTS

Granite City Park District (Nov. 25)	Jacobsmeyers 88, McKinley Iron 57	Purpleness 68, Slimey Dogs, 36
Tuesday	Kramden's 62, Jacobsmeyers 53	Jacobsmeyers 2, Sports Print 0
Kramden's.....2-0	Knuckle Heads 34, Harvest Assembly 32	Thursday
Rookies.....2-0	Rookies 81, Electric Mud Puppies 52	Ultimate Sports.....2-0
Jacobsmeyers.....2-1		Bindy's II.....2-0
Knuckle Heads.....1-1		Burn's Liquor.....1-1
McKinley Iron.....0-1		Bindy's I.....1-1
Electric Mud Puppies.....0-1		Pace Tru Value Hardware.....0-2
Harvest Assembly.....0-2		Jacobsmeyers.....0-2
Scores	Wednesday	Bindy's II 60, Pace Tru Value 52
Rookies 81, Harvest Assembly 36	Jacobsmeyers.....2-0	Ultimate Sports 59, Burn's Liquor 56
Kramden's 62, Knuckle Heads 51	Purpleness.....1-0	Bindy's I 49, Jacobsmeyers 46
	Rebels.....1-0	
	Sports Print.....0-2	
	Slimey Dog.....0-20	

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THURSDAY, Dec. 4 — Breakfast burrito, fresh banana, milk.
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Lunch
MONDAY, Dec. 1 — Pizza slices, tater tots, pineapple chunks, milk.
TUESDAY, Dec. 2 — Meat loaf, mashed potatoes, green beans, dinner roll, applesauce, milk.
WEDNESDAY, Dec. 3 — Chicken nuggets, rice, green beans, green peas, milk.
THURSDAY, Dec. 4 — Beef and bean taco, mixed vegetables, slice of bread, fresh orange wedges, milk.
FRIDAY, Dec. 5 — Grilled cheese sandwich, celery sticks, soup of the day, mixed fruit, milk.

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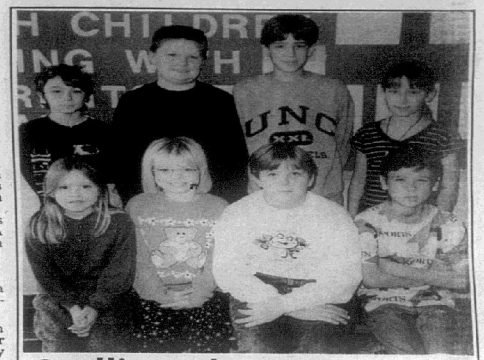
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Honor roll announced

St. Elizabeth School recently announced its first quarter honor roll. The following students have achieved this distinction:

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Fri. 11/28	7:00	Alton - Alton
Sat. 11/29	11:00	Madison - Alton
Sat. 11/29	7:00	Jerseyville - Alton
Tues. 12/02	6:15	Triad Home
Fri. 12/05	6:15	Edwardsville - Away
Fri. 12/12	6:15	Alton - Away
Fri. 12/19	6:15	Belleville East - Home
Sat. 12/20	6:15	Jerseyville Away
Mon. - Wed. 12/29-31		Collinsville Holiday Tournament
Sat. 01/03	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Tue. 01/06	6:15	Civic Memorial Home
Fri. 01/09	6:15	East St. Louis - Home
Fri. 01/16	6:15	Collinsville - Away
Wed. - Sat. 01/21-24		Salem Tournament
Fri. 01/30	6:15	Edwardsville - Home
Sat. 01/31	6:15	Alton - Home
Fri. 2/06	6:15	Belleville East - Away
Fri. 2/13	6:15	Belleville West - Away
Tues. 2/17	6:15	McCluer North - Away
Fri. 02/20	6:15	East St. Louis - Away
Sat. 02/21	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Mon. - Fri. 03/02-06		I.H.S.A. REGIONAL TOURNAMENT
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Wed. 11/19	6:00	Wood River - Away
Fri. - Sat. 11/21-22		Chatham Glenwood Round ROB
Tues. 12/02	6:00	Belleville East - Away
Thurs. 12/04	6:15	Edwardsville - Home
Tues. 12/09	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Thurs. 12/11	4:00	Riverview Gardens - Away
Fri. 12/12	6:15	Alton - Home
Mon. 12/15	6:15	Jerseyville - Home
Tues. 12/16	6:15	East St. Louis senior - Home
Mon. - Wed. 12/29-31		TBA
Fri. 01/09	6:15	Madison - Away
Mon. 01/12	6:00	Collinsville - Home
Fri. 01/16	6:15	Mascoutah Tournament
Mon. 1/20	6:00	East St. Louis Senior - Away
Fri. 1/23	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Fri. 1/30	6:15	Mascoutah Away
Thurs. 2/05	6:15	Collinsville - Away
Fri. 2/06	6:15	Edwardsville - Away
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Wed. 11/26	6:15	O'Fallon - Home
Sat. 12/06	6:00	Alton - E. Alton
Wed. 12/10	6:15	Cahokia - Home
Wed. 12/17	6:15	Belleville Althoff - Home
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Wed. 1/07	6:15	Collinsville - Home
Wed. 1/14	6:15	Belleville Althoff - Home
Wed. 1/21	6:15	Belleville East - Home
Wed. 1/28	6:15	Belleville West - Home
Sat. 2/07	6:30	Cahokia - Cahokia
Wed. 2/11	6:15	O'Fallon - Home
Wed. 1/19	7:30	Roxana - E. Alton

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Tues. 11/25	6:00	O'Fallon - Home
Wed. 11/26	6:00	Carb/Cent - Carbond.
Fri. 12/05	3:30	Edwardsville - Away
Sat. 12/06	TBA	Morton - Quadrangular
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Mon. 12/15	8:45	Pattonville - Home
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Sat. 1/10	9:30	McCluer North - N. County
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Fri. 1/23	9:30	Hazelwood West - N. County
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Entertainment

Anastasia an enjoyable 'historic' animated film

By Susan Canada
Staff writer

This film has lots of history and not just in the storyline. The story of a real princess who does not know she is royalty is quite captivating, particularly in 20th Century Fox's "Anastasia."

The loss of one's memory and the "who am I?" of adolescence are common themes throughout literature and film. The historical setting and basis for this story makes these topics even more romantic and engaging.

The team of heavy-hitters Don Bluth and Gary Goldman ("Land Before Time" and "All Dogs Go to Heaven") have handed us a story based loosely on the Russian Revolution and the rumors of a lost princess, the last survivor of the Romanov dynasty, Anastasia Nikolaevna.

With the help of a kitchen boy named Dimitri (John Cusack), Anastasia and her



Anyia (voice of Meg Ryan) does not realize she is standing in front of her own family portrait in a scene from the new animated film "Anastasia."

grandmother, Dowager Empress Marie, escape the attack on the palace. While attempting to board a train, Anastasia falls and lies uncon-

scious as her devoted grandmother watches helplessly from the train heading to Paris.

Ten years later, an orphan

named Anya sets out for Paris in hopes of finding the family she has no recollection of, just a clue — a key on a necklace, inscribed "Together in Paris."

For an adult, the voice talents of Meg Ryan (Anastasia/Anyia), Kelsey Grammer (Vladimir) and Angela Lansbury (Marie) are like hearing your favorite aunt or friend tell a story. They were soothing and familiar. John Cusack had many moments in which the conflicts of his conscience came through in his voice loud and clear, even when whispered.

Children enjoy the music, which includes jazz of early 1900s Paris and the antics of Bartok (Hank Azaria), the albino bat.

But with the bat comes sorcerer Rasputin.

The bat plays sidekick to a guy whose eye pops out and has a thumb that must be screwed back on to his hand.

If you were bombarded by questions after the Judge Frodo-fireplace scene in Disney's "Hunchback of Notre Dame," the questions will not be any easier when Rasputin (Christopher Lloyd) becomes purgatory-bound.

Rasputin sells his soul for the power to curse the Romanov family. During Marie's and Anastasia's escape, Rasputin falls into the Volga River, thus plunging to his doom and a stint in the in-between world.

Wow.

Now, how does one explain that to a first-grader?

Fortunately, not much else was said after the first bit of

hemming and hawing from this parent, and the discussion after the movie turned back to the beautiful scenery and suspense of the journey to Paris.

Lansbury performs a silky song called "Once Upon A December," while Grammer shows us his immense musical talent in several songs on the soundtrack, such as "Learn to Do It."

While a bit long for some children, this movie is definitely the work of two men who have matured in their animation and production styles. The rough edges are still there — such as mouths looking slightly like a bad '70s martial arts movie — but not as noticeable as in previous endeavors, such as "An American Tale."

And blessedly, there are no high-pitched screams from one character or another, as there are in every one of the "Land Before Time" and "Fleisch Eaters" and "Rock-A-Doodle," also Bluth-Goldman projects.

And besides, who could ever dislike anything Don Bluth does, when, as a Disney animator, he helped give us the incarnation of Winnie the Pooh we treasure and love?

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SIUE to offer all-new music of Christmas

By Paul Mackie

Some would think the only Christmas songs in the book were "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer," "The Christmas Song (Chestnuts Roasting on an Open Fire)" and "Jingle Bells."

But on Dec. 7, Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville will present an evening of all-new holiday choral music, called "A Brand New Christmas," at the Vadalabene Center gymnasium.

The concert features three SIUE choral organizations: The Concert Chorus, the Com-

munity Choral Society and the University Singers, under the direction of SIUE music professor Leonard Van Camp. The concert will also feature a brass and percussion ensemble.

"We've had these Christmas concerts annually at SIUE for close to 30 years," said Greg Conroy, director of University News Services. "What gives a little twist to this year's show is that every number is arranged, published or commissioned by SIUE during the 1997 year."

The localized, original theme was the brainchild of Van Camp, who had been involved

earlier this year with recording several new Christmas-themed works.

"I decided that since I had done all this work on the music, why not use some of the pieces in the Christmas concert," he said.

Commissioned selections will include: "O Gracious Light," a piece for women's voices by SIUE music professor James Woodard; "Chanson Innocentes" by SIUE music graduate student Kad Day, who selected lyrics from the poems of e.e. cummings; and "Music in this Hall," a work arranged by Van Camp.

Featured soloists will

include: a pianist, baritone, tenor, bass, organist, soprano, flautist and trumpeters.

Other works to be performed include: "Nowell: Glad Tidings," a medieval Christmas carol; "Magnificat"; and "Jesus, Rest Your Head."

The finale will be a performance of "Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day," a traditional carol arranged by Howard Helvey for voices and two piano players.

Tickets for the concert are \$5. Student and senior citizen tickets are \$3. The show will begin at 7:30 p.m. For information call 692-3900.

HOROSCOPE

Sunday, Nov. 30
The moon and sun both transit through the fiery Sagittarian realm now, emphasizing luck, expansion and the ability to reach your destination if you know where you are going.

If not, decide now. Mercury transits into earthy Capricorn, and you get tangible results when you simply state your request. Loved ones bond together, wanting to help each other get the work done.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 30). Walk on the wild side this year! Outrageous acts help you make huge strides in your personal growth. An old classmate or business partner does you a favor next month, and that burden you've been carrying is lifted. Love with an Aries or Libra is laced with luck. New employment makes February stressful but one of your most resourceful months in ages.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). This is no time to hide out! You win the prize just by showing up. Get the money owed to you. Trust and Libra adore you. A romantic stumbling block is eliminated when someone decides to forgive.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You social butterfly! Be kind

with an admirer's tender heart. Your talent will be spotlighted if you do the ground-work now. If you will be selling or interviewing later in the week, use today to get your pitch down perfectly.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You may be patted on the back for something you didn't do. You can't help but draw fans. Ask for the impossible. Concessions will be made by relatives and, on Monday, by a

boss.
CANCER (June 22-July 22). Authorities or lovers grant financial requests. Introspection may be mistaken for snobbery. Make an extra effort to (See HOROSCOPE, Page 8B)

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ENTERTAINMENT

MOVIE SCHEDULE

Film timetable for Sunday, Nov. 30. For times on other days or to confirm these times, check local theaters.

JARMIKE PETITE
70 and Hwy. 187, Collinsville, Ill.
144-1708
Anastasia (G) 1:15, 3:15, 7:15, 9:15
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 1:00, 3:45, 7:00, 9:45
Alien Resurrection (R) 1:30, 4:00, 7:30, 10:00
Flubber (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00

EASTGATE CINE
Castgate Plaza, E. Alton, Ill. 254-5299
Flubber (PG) 2:30, 4:45, 7:00
Starship Troopers (R) 1:30, 4:20, 7:15
Alien Resurrection (R) 1:45, 5:00, 7:30
The Jackal (R) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00
The Little Mermaid (G) 2:00, 4:10, 6:30
Anastasia (G) 2:15, 4:30, 6:45

COTTONWOOD EDWARDS-VILLE CINEMA
Edwardsville, Ill., 558-3380
The Jackal (R) 1:00, 4:00, 7:00, 9:50
Bean (PG-13) 2:00, 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
Flubber (PG) 1:45, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15

HALLS FERRY 14 CINE
2600 Target Drive, 822-4903
Starship Troopers (R) 12:15, 3:00, 5:45, 8:35

Mortal Kombat 2 (PG-13) 12:10, 2:10, 4:15, 7:20, 9:40
Mortal Kombat 2 (PG-13) 1:10, 3:10, 5:15, 8:20
The Little Mermaid (G) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00
Devil's Advocate (R) 9:00
Alien Resurrection (R) 12:00, 2:25, 4:50, 7:25, 9:55
Alien Resurrection (R) 1:05, 3:30, 5:55, 8:25
The Jackal (R) 1:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50
Bean (PG-13) 1:00, 3:05, 5:10, 7:25, 9:35
Eve's Bayou (R) 12:25, 2:55, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
The Rainmaker (PG-13) 1:20, 4:10, 7:05, 10:00
The Man Who Knew Too Little (PG) 12:20, 2:30
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 4:45, 7:10, 9:30
Flubber (PG) 12:40, 2:55, 5:05, 7:15, 9:25
Soul Food (R) 12:05, 2:35, 5:20, 8:30
Anastasia (G) 12:35, 2:40, 4:50, 7:00, 9:05

LINCOLN THEATER
103 E. Main, Belleville, Ill. 233-0133
Air Bud (PG) 1:40, 7:15, 9:20
Men in Black (PG-13) 1:30, 7:05, 9:05
George Of The Jungle (PG) 1:45
The Game (R) 7:00, 9:25

NAMEOKI CINEMA
30 Nameoki Village, 877-6610
Kiss The Girls (R) 2:00, 7:15
The Man Who Knew Too Little (PG) 2:30, 8:45

O'FALLON 15 CINE
1320 Central Park Dr., O'Fallon, Ill., 822-4900
Starship Troopers (R) 12:00, 2:40, 5:30, 8:15
Starship Troopers (R) 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 9:55
Flubber (PG) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00
Flubber (PG) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
Midnight In The Garden Of Good And Evil (R) 12:10, 3:15, 7:30
Midnight In The Garden Of Good And Evil (R) 1:20, 4:30, 8:00
The Jackal (R) 12:10, 2:45, 5:30, 8:10
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Anastasia (G) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00
Anastasia (G) 1:00, 3:00, 5:00, 7:00, 9:00
Kiss The Girls (R) 1:30, 4:10, 7:05, 9:45
Boogie Nights (R) 11:00, 1:30, 4:30, 7:30
The Man Who Knew Too Little (PG-13) 12:25, 2:30, 4:45, 7:15, 9:30
Eve's Bayou (R) 12:15, 2:40, 5:05, 7:35, 10:00
Devil's Advocate (R) 1:15, 4:00, 7:00, 9:55

QUAD CINEMA
Belleview, Ill. 223-1220
Flubber (PG) 1:30, 4:15, 6:45, 9:15
Bean (PG-13) 12:00, 2:00, 4:00, 6:00, 8:00, 10:00
The Jackal (R) 1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 10:00

ROXANA CINE THEATER
Roxane, Ill. 254-6746
Bean (PG-13) 2:00, 7:00

ST. CLAIR 10
50 Ludwig Drive, 398-8383
The Jackal (R) 12:00, 2:20, 4:45, 7:10, 9:15
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Alien Resurrection (R) 12:00, 2:45, 5:45, 8:45
Alien Resurrection (R) 1:45, 4:45, 7:45, 10:30
Dead Corner (R) 1:05, 4:30, 7:25, 10:00
I Know What You Did Last Summer (R) 11:30, 1:45, 4:20, 7:20, 9:45
The Little Mermaid (G) 1:15, 4:00, 7:15, 10:15
Mad City (PG-13) 6:40
Mortal Kombat 2 (PG-13) 11:30, 1:30, 4:15, 7:00, 9:10
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'Starship Troopers' is a giant, malevolent cartoon-like movie

Random observations from the kill-the-giant-insect sci-fi flick "Starship Troopers":

• It's rare to see such a well-orchestrated blend of hair gel, well-chiseled chins and mass human dismemberment.

• Lines like, "To fight the bug, we must understand the bug," are pretty funny — if they're intentionally so, which is unclear.

• Beyond that, there's little to recommend "Starship Troopers." Paul Verhoeven's attempt to create a giant, malevolent Bazooka Joe cartoon in outer space. The characters are cardboard and juvenile, the plot twists indescribable and the epic battle against gargantuan extraterrestrial insects morally questionable at best.

Here's the strange thing, though: Despite this battalion of weaknesses, you'll probably walk away entertained from this "90210" meets "Star Wars" meets "Sands of Iwo Jima." It's marginally goodhearted, despite its violence, and it sports enough camp to carry it through to the end.

The story goes something like this: In the future, giant bugs from another star system — based on a planet called Klendathu — are launching salvos at Earth, so Earth decides to fight back by invading the bug world.

The foot soldiers are a model-agency-smooth bunch of high-school students from Buenos Aires, Argentina, who sign up for federal service, which allows them to become "citizens."

Among them are the improbably named Johnny Rico (Casper Van Dien), the improbably fresh-faced Carmen Ibanez (Denise Richards) and come-hither tough-girl Dizzy Flores (Dina Meyer), who has long lusted after Rico. Ibanez chooses pilot school, Rico and Dizzy the infantry. In quick succession, we see them join, train, graduate and go off to battle.

Their quarry is a race of giant bugs who live in the Arachnid Quarantine Zone, though only a

few of them seem spider-like. They impale chests with their claws and bite off heads with their jaws, allowing Verhoeven ("Total Recall," "Basic Instinct") to perpetrate all sorts of unspeakable gore upon the human body.

Because of all this carnage, "Starship Troopers" is one of the most violent American movies since "Platoon." What's strange about "Starship Troopers" is how little empathy the characters generate. They might as well have been computer-generated: Attractive, buff and outwardly moralistic, they nonetheless come across as mere pawns, fighting a war for questionable reasons and doing little to better the human race in the process.

Where "Starship Troopers" shines, if anywhere, is in its occasional "federal newscast" segments, modeled on the "duck-and-cover" segments produced in the Cold War 1950s. They feature a Nazi-like bird of prey logo, warn against "The Foe" and depict kids "doing their part" by squashing household roaches en masse.

"Starship Troopers" is deficient in many ways. It's too long, it glorifies war. Its music, makeup and hairstyles suggest a future horrifyingly replete with mid-1980s aesthetics. Much of its terminology and space architecture is poached from "Star Trek." Ammunition seems unlimited until the plot requires an ammo shortage. Coffins shot into space resemble suburban tract houses.

Yet this big-screen, sci-fi Capture the Flag is cloyingly engrossing in an embarrassing manner. If you want to see it, fine. But if you like it, best not to tell anyone.

"Starship Troopers," directed by Verhoeven, is produced by John Davison and Alan Marshall from an Ed Neumeier screenplay. — Associated Press

•Horoscope

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reach out. Something that was passed over last week is given a sharper look.
LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Do research, and catch up on reading. You earn points because you keep trying in a love relationship. Take advantage of a window of opportunity to make up for past wrongs. Your lucky numbers are 11, 14 and 29.
VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Partners may impose and change your plans. Flow with it as adventures spring from your flexible attitude. Your family wants to lend more support but is waiting for your cue. You'll have super success

with the opposite sex.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Money leaves your hands as quickly as it gets there. Surround yourself with generous people. Airplanes are late arriving and departing, and a visitor or in-law cancels altogether.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Guilt is useless, so give it up. Do your best to stay in the loop, even though certain personalities are practically intolerable. Top-notch care makes you feel beautiful and gets you an invitation to boot.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): A short attention span keeps you from understanding a loved one. Make an effort to concentrate, and you can keep the peace. Something needs repairing at home; this is crucial but affordable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your physical attraction quotient is up. Find bargains by venturing out with a thrifty friend. Scintillating weekend romance is best with a Scorpio or Leo. Work on the whole picture instead of fretting over details.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Someone close tests your resolve — stay cool. Win support with your leadership ability and positive attitude. Love steals the focus tonight. Children help you tap your creative powers.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Stand up for yourself. Some one from the past is hiding from you. Take action or a current love will let things drift. There are long-range benefits from letting business and pleasure informants tonight.

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Story by
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Eighth-graders in Kathy Hanke's Home Living class at North Junior High School display the Thanksgiving dishes they prepared.

Creative chefs whip up Thanksgiving dishes

North Junior High students prepare pumpkin desserts

Several North Junior High School students this quarter honed their culinary skills for Thanksgiving meal preparation.

Eighth-graders in Kathy Hanke's Home Living class began their nutritional/meal-planning session in keeping with the season — by preparing a few innovative pumpkin desserts.

"Actually, the first pumpkin pie wasn't really a pie," Hanke said. "They would take a whole pumpkin, remove the seeds and add spices, honey and milk to the pumpkin before they baked it (in hot ashes)."

She said they later prepared pumpkins by roasting and boiling them. "Our desserts are all made with pumpkins: pumpkin custard, pumpkin bread and pumpkin ice cream pie, and they aren't too difficult," Hanke said. "For some of these students, this is their first cooking experience."

Connie Dietrich and Scott Bluemner cut the ice cream pie prepared the

The best part of cooking, Sarah Legendre and Jessica Cook agreed, was the fun of eating their creations 'after all the work.'

day before.

"We had to get the ice cream soft before we mixed it with pumpkin," said Connie, who was making her first Thanksgiving dessert.

Although they both enjoyed cooking, neither student felt prepared to bake a holiday dinner alone.

Sarah Legendre and Jessica Cook said the pumpkin bread recipe was "not that hard," especially for anyone who already had made bread.

"I've made bread with yeast before," Sarah said. "I might like to do this, to cook professionally, but

I'm not sure."

The best part of cooking, they agreed, was the fun of eating their creations "after all the work."

Alexis Holsey also enjoys cooking, but she said she has the most fun experimenting with recipes.

"I guess you have to know what you're doing, but I like to cook, and I like trying new things out," she said.

Next door, students in the sewing segment of the class also were in the holiday spirit, preparing to cut out a pattern for a harvest home apron.

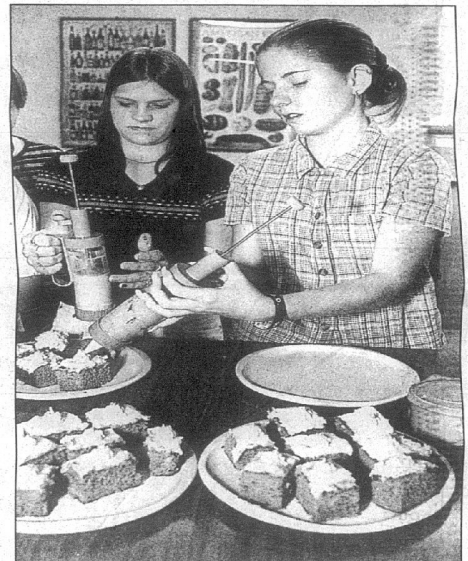
Eighth-grader Adam Przybysz had never used a sewing machine until

class but considered it a skill that may come in handy if not now, then later.

"My mom sews," he said. "I don't know if I'd try sewing my own clothes, but maybe an apron."

Beth Wallace and Kristi Lee both thought sewing might be handy for

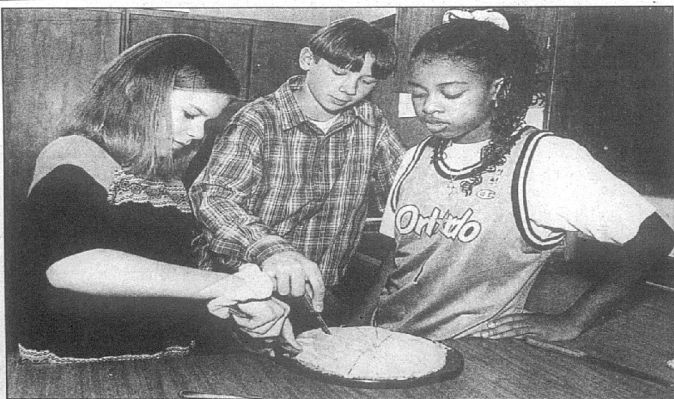
making Christmas gifts.



Above, Karla Wallace, left, and Christina Montgomery put the finishing touches on a pumpkin cake. Pictured below is some of the food the students prepared.



Above, teacher Barb Jestic, from left, goes over an apron design with students Zach Bilyeu, Kim Hensley, TaMyra Dent and Tyler Burnett. At right, Connie Dietrich, from left, Scott Bluemner and Starkeisha Wright cut into a pumpkin pie.

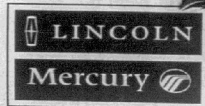


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